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CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. This Association shall be called "The General Association of the Congregational Churches and Ministers of Indiana."

ART. II. This Association shall not exercise any judicial authority over the ministers and churches belonging to it; but its object shall be to promote Christian love and fellowship among its members; to obtain and disseminate religious information relative to the churches throughout our State, our country and the world, and to strive together, in prayers and counsels and faithful efforts, to advance the cause of truth and holiness.

ART. III. It shall hold annual meetings; and Evangelical churches of the Congregational order may each be represented by its pastor and three delegates, and any minister shall be entitled to a seat in this body, provided that such churches or ministers shall have first joined the District Association within whose bounds they are located.

ART. IV. At least one sermon shall be preached at each annual meeting, and the preacher shall be appointed at the previous meeting.

ART. V. At each annual meeting each church is expected to furnish, by its pastor, delegates or otherwise, a written statistical report of the number of members, male and female; additions during the last year, by profession and by letter; removals, by dismissal, death, or excommunication; baptisms, adult or infant; Sabbath-school teachers and scholars; contributions to benevolent objects.

ART. VI. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator and Scribe, elected annually, by ballot, and a Secretary elected triennially by ballot, who shall be, *ex officio*, the Treasurer of the Association.

ART. VII. It shall be the duty of the Scribe to keep full and accurate minutes of the transactions of the Association, and after they have been adopted, to place them in the hands of the Secretary.

ART. VIII. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to give due notice, through the public papers, of the time and place of each meeting; to read the Rules of the Association at the opening session; carefully to record such parts of the minutes of each meeting as may not be printed;

to receive statistical reports from tho churches, and prepare the same for publication; to send a notice to all the Scribes of local Associations, not more than three months nor less than one month before the annual meeting of the State Association, that they are expected to present a written report to the meeting of the state of religion within their bounds; to receive and distribute publications presented to the Association, and to preserve for the Association all communications addressed to it. As Treasurer, he shall have charge of all moneys belonging to the Association, and shall disburse the same as the Association shall direct. He shall, annually, present a report of the state of the treasury, and also state the sum, in his opinion, necessary to be raised for the ensuing year.

ART. IX. Five members shall be requisite to form a quorum for the transaction of business; but, for opening and adjourning the meeting, a less number shall be competent.

ART. X. The annual meeting of this Association shall be held on the second Wednesday of May, commencing at 7½ o'clock P. M., and shall remain in session until the ensuing Friday evening.

ART. XI. This constitution may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of the Association by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS.

1. Every daily session shall be opened with prayer, and closed with prayer and benediction.

2. Statistical reports shall be written and filed with the Secretary.

3. Ministers in good standing, connected with other bodies of Evangelical Christians, may be invited to sit as Corresponding Delegates.

4. Delegates presenting themselves for seats in the Association shall present satisfactory evidence that they have authority from the churches to represent the same.

5. Unfinished business shall ordinarily occupy the attention of the Association before new subjects are introduced.

6. Resolutions should be committed to writing, and motions be seconded and repeated by the Moderator, or read aloud, before they are open to debate.

7. Any member personally present at the annual meeting of any corresponding body is authorized to represent this Association in the failure of the regularly appointed delegate, and a copy of this by-law shall be his credentials.

8. An assessment shall be asked by the Secretary from the churches sufficient to provide for printing and circulating the Minutes and other incidental expenses.

DOCTRINAL BASIS.

We believe that there is one only living and true God, self-existent, and infinite in every perfection—the Creator, Preserver and Governor of the Universe.

That God is revealed in the Scriptures as the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, that these three are in essence one, and in all divine attributes equal.

That the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament are the Word of God, given by inspiration, and are the only unerring rule of faith and practice.

That man was first created in a state of perfection, from which he fell by transgressing the divine commands; and that, in consequence of his disobedience, the hearts of all men, until renewed by divine grace, are without holiness, and wholly alienated from God.

That man, as a sinner, deserves the curse of God, which is eternal death; that he can make no atonement for his sins, nor in any way deliver himself from the just penalty of the divine law.

That God has, by the death of his Son, provided an ample atonement for the sins of the world; that salvation is freely offered to all; and that all, who truly repent and believe in Christ, shall be saved; and that those who reject the gospel will perish through their own impenitence and unbelief.

That the hearts of men are so desperately wicked and averse to God and holiness, that if left to themselves they will, with one accord, reject the offers of pardon through Christ, and perish; but that God, in the sovereignty of His love, and to magnify the riches of His grace, has, from all eternity, purposed to bring an innumerable multitude to repentance, and finally to glory; and that all who are saved will owe their salvation to the mercy of God alone, and not to any works of merit of their own.

That without a change of heart, effected by the agency of the Holy Spirit, no one can be an heir of eternal life; and that all who have been thus renewed will be kept by the power of God, through faith, unto salvation.

That Jesus Christ has a true Church in the world, consisting of those who are friends to, and believers in Him, and that all such, on a visible profession of their faith, have a right to its sealing ordinances (baptism and the Lord's supper), and to baptism for their infant offspring.

That the Christian Sabbath is an institution of divine appointment, and its observance of perpetual obligation.

That Jesus Christ will appear at the end of time, to raise the dead and judge the world; and that all shall then receive a sentence of just and final retribution—the wicked be doomed to endless punishment, and the righteous received to life everlasting.

MINUTES.

The twenty-fifth annual meeting of the General Association of the Congregational Churches and Ministers of Indiana, on the joint invitation of the Plymouth and Mayflower Churches, was held at Indianapolis, in the house of the Mayflower Church, May 9, 10, 11, 1883.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

The opening sermon was preached by Rev. Edward H. Smith, of Michigan City, from Matt. vi: 10, "Thy kingdom come, thy will be done." Rev. Robert McCune, of Kokomo, assisted in the services.

THURSDAY MORNING.

At 9 o'clock Rev. L. P. Rose led a devotional service. At 9:30 Association was called to order by Rev. Robert McCune, the retiring Moderator.

Rev. J. M. Seymour acted as temporary Scribe.

The following pastors and delegates responded to the call of the roll:

NORTHERN ASSOCIATION.

Andrews—Mrs. E. T. Morgan, Delegate.

Bremen—Rev. H. C. Funkhouser, Pastor; Mrs. Laura Funkhouser, Delegate.

Elkhart—Rev. M. W. Darling, Pastor; Mrs. M. W. Darling, Mr. A. S. Hall, Delegates.

East Gilead—S. G. Beers, Delegate.

Fort Wayne—Rev. J. M. Seymour, Pastor; Dea. B. H. Kimball, Delegate.

Fremont—Rev. D. W. Andrews, Pastor.

Hebron—Rev. L. Adams Smith, Pastor; Mrs. Lizzie J. Rice, Miss Ida E. Fisher, Delegates.

Jamestown—Rev. D. W. Andrews, Pastor.

Michigan City—Rev. Edward H. Smith, Pastor; Mr. D. J. Baldwin, Mrs. J. E. Haddock, Delegates.

Orland—Mrs. M. E. Otto, Delegate.

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Cardonia—Rev. James Hayes, Pastor.

Indianapolis, Plymouth Church—Rev. O. C. McCulloch, Pastor; Deacon A. G. Willard, Deacon H. S. Rockey, Mr. Edward Gilbert, Delegates.

Indianapolis, Mayflower Church—Rev. N. A. Hyde, Pastor; Deacon T. P. Sanborn, Mr. John Scott, Mr. Thomas H. Clapp, Delegates.

Kokomo—Rev. Robert McCune, Pastor; Mrs. Robert McCune, Mrs. Dayhuff, Mrs. Young, Mrs. Dr. Maverty, Delegates.

Liber—Rev. F. Stovenour, Pastor; Mr. Thomas Tole, Mrs. Phœbe Mills, Delegates.

Pisgah and Westchester—Rev. M. W. Diggs, Pastor.

Solsberry—Licentiate, E. E. Frame; Supply, Wm. G. Law.

Terre Haute—Rev. Charles P. Croft, Pastor; Mr. S. H. Potter, Mr. James Ross, Mrs. Charles P. Croft, Mrs. Dr. Patrick, Mrs. Weiss, Mrs. C. B. Brokaw, Mrs. Dr. Elder, Mrs. C. E. Fuller, Mrs. Charles Warren, Miss Eliza Warren, Miss Reed, Delegates.

South Vigo—Rev. F. A. Clancy, Pastor; Mr. J. B. Cassady, Delegate.

West Vigo—Rev. F. A. Clancy, Pastor; Rev. W. W. Goodman, Mr. John B. Goodman, Delegates.

SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION.

Montgomery—Rev. Lewis Wilson, Pastor.

Pleasant Grove—Rev. Levin Wilson, Pastor.

MINISTERIAL MEMBERS.

Rev. L. P. Rose, State Missionary, Indianapolis.

Rev. T. B. McCormick, Princeton.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

Rev. S. J. Humphrey, D. D., Dis. Sec. A. B. C. F. M., Chicago.

Rev. J. B. Clark, Sec A H. M. S., New York.

Rev. E. G. Smith, Dis. Sup't Am. Bible Soc., Morrison, Ills.

Rev. —— Gillette, Ag't Bible Soc., Cleveland, O.

Rev. E. Frank Howe, Peoria, Ills.

Rev. Henry Ketcham, Menomonie, Wis.

ORGANIZATION.

Rev. M. W. Darling, of Elkhart, was elected Moderator, and Rev. Charles P. Croft, Scribe.

The following committees were appointed:

On Business—Rev. N. A. Hyde, Rev. H. C. Funkhouser and Rev. James Hayes.

On Finance—Rev. O. C. McCulloch, Messrs. A. S. Hall and D. J. Baldwin.

On Resolutions—Rev. J. M. Seymour, Rev. M. W. Darling and A. S. Hall.

On Programme for Next Meeting—Rev. C. P. Croft, Rev. L. P. Rose and Rev. O. C. McCulloch.

On Railroad Reduction—Deacon Harry Ross, L. F. Perdue and Rev. N. A. Hyde.

REPORTS OF THE CHURCHES.

The reports on the condition of the churches were read by the Secretaries of the respective District Associations as follows: Southern Association, Rev. Levin Wilson, Sec.; Central Association, Rev. Robert McCune, Sec.; Northern Association, Rev. E. H. Smith, Sec. These written reports were followed by brief verbal statements from pastors and delegates. The reports will be found in the Appendix.

Rev. Robert McCune suggested a manual of Congregational principles and usages was needed by new churches, and by individuals who desire information concerning our polity. He submitted for examination the manual prepared by the General Association of Ohio. It was referred to the Business Committee.

ADDRESSES ON MISSIONARY WORK AMONG WOMEN.

At 11 o'clock the ladies, holding a meeting in the church parlor in behalf of foreign missions among women, were invited to join the Association and listen to addresses by representatives of the Woman's Board of Missions of the Interior. Mrs. G. B. Willcox, of Chicago, read a paper on "The Debt of Heathen Women," and Mrs. Moses Smith, of Detroit, read a paper on "Tributary Forces."

Association took a recess to partake of a lunch served in the parlors of Mayflower Church.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

The Association was called to order at 2 o'clock. After singing "Stand up for Jesus," prayer was offered by Rev. Henry Ketcham, of Wisconsin.

The churches of Fort Wayne and Terre Haute both invited the Association to hold the next meeting with them.

It was voted to accept the invitation of the church at Terre Haute.

The Treasurer, Rev. N. A. Hyde, read his report, which was accepted.

The Finance Committee was instructed to consider and report on the present system of paying the traveling expenses of one delegate from each church.

At 2:30 a paper was read by Rev. E. Frank Howe, of Peoria, Ill., on "The Duty of the Church to the Times." A spirited discussion followed, participated in by Revs. McCune, Seymour, McCormick, Hyde, McCulloch, and Mr. S. H. Potter.

Rev. M. W. Darling, of Elkhart, read a paper on "The Ideal Sunday School." The helps prepared by the Congregational Publishing Society were incidentally recommended very highly.

Adjourned till 7:30 P. M.

THURSDAY EVENING.

QUARTER-CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION.

This evening was set apart to memorial services, commemorative of the 25th anniversary of the organization of the General Association.

The order of exercises was as follows:

Singing, "Nearer, My God, to Thee."

Prayer by Rev. E. Frank Howe.

Historical paper by N. A. Hyde.

Reminiscences by Rev. T. B. McCormick, Mr. D. J. Baldwin and Rev. E. Frank Howe.

After benediction, adjourned to meet Friday morning at 9 o'clock.

FRIDAY MORNING.

A devotional service was held at 9 o'clock, led by Rev. Robert McCune.

Association then adjourned to give place for the annual meeting of the Home Missionary Society of Indiana.

At 12 M. adjourned for lunch, served in the church parlors.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

Association convened at 1:40 P. M.

Rev. O. C. McCulloch, Chairman of the Finance Committee, to which was referred the present system of paying traveling expenses of one delegate from each church, reported, recommending the discontinuance of the custom of paying such expenses. After considerable discussion the report of the committee was adopted.

Rev. Mr. Gillette, Dis. Secretary of the American Bible Society, addressed the Association on the work of that Society. He was followed by Rev. E. G. Smith, Superintendent of the A. B. S.

Business was suspended to give place to the State Home Missionary Society to attend to its unfinished business.

At 2:30 Association resumed the regular order of the day, "A Symposium on Congregationalism."

Rev. Robert McCune read a paper on "The Distinctive Characteristics of its Belief." Rev. J. M. Seymour followed with a paper on "The Distinguishing Peculiarities of its Work and Influence."

On motion, the thanks of this body were extended to the Plymouth and Mayflower churches for their generous hospitality to the members of the Association.

Rev. N. A. Hyde, of the Business Committee, reported that the Manual published by the Ohio State Conference was, in the judgment of the committee, a valuable compendium, in a cheap form, of the principles and usages of the Congregational churches, and as such it could be recommended to the churches of this body.

Took a recess till 7:30 this evening.

FRIDAY EVENING.

The evening was devoted to addressses by representatives of the Benevolent Societies.

Mr. M. C. Hazard spoke for the Congregational Publishing Society.

Rev. J. B. Clark addressed the Association on the field and the work of the American Home Missionary Society.

Rev. S. J. Humphrey, D. D., presented the claims of Foreign Missions.

At the conclusion of the addresses the Association appointed Rev. J. M. Seymour delegate to the National Council, and Rev. N. A. Hyde his alternate..

Voted, to publish N. A. Hyde's historical paper in the Minutes.

After prayer by Rev. L. P. Rose, the Association adjourned to meet at Terre Haute May 14, 1884.

M. W. DARLING, *Moderator.*
CHARLES P. CROFT, *Scribe.*

[Attest:]

N. A. HYDE. *Secretary.*

HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF INDIANA.

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT.

REV. L. P. ROSE, SECRETARY.

The third annual meeting of the Home Missionary Society of Indiana was held in the Mayflower church, Indianapolis, Friday, May 11, 1883, at 10 o'clock A. M., Rev. N. A. Hyde, President, in the chair.

Rev. Charles P. Croft was chosen Scribe.

After prayer by the President, the Secretary, Rev. L. P. Rose, read the minutes of the last meeting

The State Missionary, Rev. L. P. Rose, then read his report of the work of the Society during the past year.

The report was referred to a committee consisting of Mr. D. J Baldwin, Rev. M. W. Diggs and Rev. M. W. Darling.

Brief statements were made by the local missionaries, Revs. James Hayes, L. A. Smith and D. W. Andrews, concerning their fields of labor and the success of their work.

The general subject of the wants of the weak churches was discussed by Revs. McCulloch, Hyde, Croft and Secretary J. B. Clark.

Mr. D. J. Baldwin, of the Committee on the Report of the State Missionary, submitted the following recommendations:

1. We recommend that Rev. L. P. Rose be continued as State Missionary, and ask that he be recommissioned by the A. H. M. S., on the same salary received last year.

2. We recommend that the churches be earnestly urged to bring up their collections to one cent each week, per member.

3. That we approve of the effort of the weak churches to supply regular services by the larger use of efficient laymen.

D. J. BALDWIN,
M. W. DIGGS,
B. H. KIMBALL

A discussion followed which resulted in substituting for the second recommendation the plan proposed by the State Missionary, which was, that the churches be asked to raise a definite sum, the assessment to be made by the Executive Committee. With this change the recommendations of the committee were adopted.

Voted that we urge the churches to bring up their collections to the amounts apportioned to each in the report of the Secretary.

Rev. Oscar C. McCulloch addressed the Association on the question, "How the Weak Churches are to be supplied with the stated preaching of the Word."

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

The Society convened at 2 o'clock and proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year.

Rev. O. C. McCulloch was re elected Treasurer.

Rev. Robert McCune and Rev. J. M. Seymour were re-elected members of the Executive Committee.

Rev. L. P. Rose offered the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, That we re-affirm the recommendation made last year that all collections for the A. H. M. S. be taken not later in the year than the first Sabbath in January, and that the amount pledged from each church be forwarded to the Treasurer or Secretary of this Society as soon as taken.

Resolved, That we earnestly recommend and request the pastors of self-sustaining churches to visit one or more missionary or pastorless churches, at least once during the year, giving to such churches as many services during the week of their visits as may seem profitable, and report results to the next meeting of this Society.

Voted that the essential parts of the report of the Executive Committee be printed with the Minutes.

On motion the Society adjourned.

N. A. HYDE, President.

CHARLES P. CROFT, Scribe.

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

OF THE

HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF INDIANA.

Your committee, at their quarterly meetings, regularly held, have endeavored to carry out the will of the Society in supplying all the churches of the State with stated preaching, which, in the early part of the year, was more nearly accomplished than ever before in the history of the Society. Only two remained destitute and discouraged. Pursuant to instructions voted at your last annual meeting, and being impressed with the importance of restoring the church at Peru, a vigorous effort was made to procure a suitable man for that field. Two or three propositions have been made to help the church resume services, but such has been the discouragement of the people they have declined all proffers of aid. Little hope of the resuscitation of the church remains.

DELAYED CONTRIBUTIONS.

The Secretary submitted a statement at the January meeting of the committee, showing that pledges already made to missionaries, and becoming due at stated periods, amounted to $1,141.58, while the apportionment and collections to date amounted to $1,132.15. They had already overdrawn $9.43, and new applications for aid were before them for indorsement at that meeting. The Treasurer reported that he had received only $20, and from only one church, notwithstanding the action of the last meeting of the Society recommending that the annual collections from the churches be taken and reported to the Treasurer *before* the first Sabbath in January of each year. The committee was compelled to draw upon the prospective contributions or declare the work blockaded. The statistics of this report could not have been completed last week on account of a disregard of this rule.

VACANCIES.

A greater difficulty, even than an empty treasury, confronted the committee in the early autumn. September 1, Mr. Hickmott, of Angola removed from the State, leaving three important churches without sup

ply. September 15, Mr. Burr, of Marshall, Ill., left his field, and two more churches stretched out their hands for help. About a month later another church was thrown upon our hands by the removal of Mr. Carrick. Thus six churches, at a very critical season of the year, were suddenly pastorless, and no suitable persons could be found to fill the places. An urgent appeal for missionaries was made to three of our leading theological seminaries without relief. Application for men was made to neighboring superintendents without avail. Scattered congregations and depleted Sabbath schools haunted the committee and intensified anxiety as the months passed by. How the weak churches are to be supplied with stated preaching, without men or means, was a problem they were not able to solve.

Two young men, inspired with a spirit of the Master, offered their services without regard to material compensation, and were sent out from the ranks of business men, to preach the gospel, by two of our local associations, in October. Mr. F. A. Clancy was stationed over the Vigo churches, and Mr. E. E. Frame at Solsberry. Both enjoy the confidence of their people and the approbation of the Master.

One of the six churches enumerated above was included in Mr. Clancy's field. The others have continued vacant until quite recently. Rev. D. W. Andrews has taken Fremont and Jamestown, and we hope Angola and Pleasant Lake have found a supply. Marshall is still languishing and despondent.

ENCOURAGEMENT.

The darkness of this cloud is relieved with a silver lining, giving us reason to hope that a clear sunlight will soon penetrate this temporary gloom in our work. The other missionary posts have been blessed with faithful laborers and rich rewards. Two churches within the year assumed self-support and have taken their places in the front ranks among the older and substantial churches of the State. Within this year four new missionaries have been added to our rolls. They are faithfully serving six churches, three of which are young enterprises and *all* of which have had a healthy growth and taken a deeper root in the communities where they are located. *Seventy* members have been added to these churches, all but five on profession of faith. One has built a new house of worship at a cost of $1,200; another is building this season; two have repaired and beautified their houses; two have organized Sabbath schools, and one of the young churches has sent out *three* preachers of the Gospel, two of whom entered upon their professional work this year, and all are accessions to our denomination. Two are preaching acceptably in Michigan and one in this State. Some of these workers are just closing their first year of Congregational life, and they enter upon their second with established convictions and with hopeful and encouraging prospects.

These *ten* missionaries, seven of whom are commissioned by the A. H. M. S., are serving faithfully sixteen churches and five out stations, and have added ninety-nine members to their churches, eighty-two by profession and seventeen by letter. The contributions to the Society this year, from these churches, amount to $168.62.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

In order to stimulate these weak churches and encourage those serving them, we respectfully recommend that the pastors of the several self-sustaining churches, be requested to visit one or more of the missionary or pastorless churches, at least once during the year, giving such churches as many services during the week of their visit as may seem profitable, and report results at the next meeting of this Society.

In view of the inadequate supply of ministers from our seminaries for the smaller towns and rural districts, and from the evidences before us of the existence of valuable latent powers for Christ's work in some of our churches, we further recommend to every minister serving a church in this State to be on the lookout for members who have natural gifts and acquirements that fit them for public work, and encourage them to go out and perform missionary service as lay preachers.

ORGANIZATIONS.

Two churches have been organized within the year. One in Gibson county, with a membership of ten, to which four have been added. It is called the "Central Union Church," and is ministered to by one of its members, Rev. Caleb Greene, for a very small compensation, and without aid from the Society. The other was organized May 6, with thirteen members. This church is located at Andrews, a rapidly growing town on the Wabash, in Huntington county, which starts with a population of at least 1,000. All are new comers and strangers to each other, the community being made up chiefly of railroad men and their families.

It is all important that society shall be organized at once with religious institutions and Christian influences.

We have secured the services of a Yale theological student for three or four months, who will commence labors about the 20th inst. An active, efficient, Christian missionary is needed to settle there in the autumn.

THE GENERAL MISSIONARY'S WORK.

His field embraces the State of Indiana, three churches in Illinois, one in Michigan, and one in Ohio. His work has been distributed in forty-one localities within this territory. He has held fifty Sabbath services, preached 120 discourses, besides delivering numerous less formal lectures. He has attended three local associations, participated in the organiza-

tion of two churches, one Sabbath-school, and four series of gospel meetings. The revivals in which he has labored reported sixty-five hopeful conversions. He has received into churches without ordained ministers thirty-five members, and administered the ordinance of baptism to twenty-six adults and eleven children. He has written 648 letters and postals. The General Missionary would refrain giving a place to these items of his work, were it not that every society has a right to know how and where their servant is employed.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO HOME MISSIONS.

The contributions of the churches of the State to Home Missions for the year ending March 1, amounted to $409.94, being $113.29 less than the collections last year. The Committee were placed in the embarrassing position of having overdrawn from the Home Missionary Society $140.32. Such a state of things called for an explanation to satisfy our own consciences as well as the expectations of the Society from which we draw supplies. This deficit was found to result from several causes. Almost a hundred dollars was paid the General Missionary by two churches for personal services last year. This income was cut off where these fields procured resident supplies. In three of the Missionary Churches collections failed because they were without supplies.

The greatest loss, however, was in the diminished collections of the self-sustaining churches. The cause of this decline we are unable to explain. We are not willing to believe it is an indication of what we are to expect in the year to come. We do not despair of raising from all the churches in the State the minimum amount required of Missionary Churches by the parent Society, viz: a sum equivalent to one cent a week per member.

ENLARGEMENT OF THE WORK.

In view of growing interests and constantly pressing necessities, we urge the Executive Committee of the A. H. M. S. to enlarge our apportionment this year to $2,000, and in proof of our interest and earnestness in their home work, pledged a contribution from the churches of the State, subject to their approval, of at least $550, which is yet about $250 less than contemplated by the resolution of 1880. To secure this amount pledged, we take the liberty to apportion among the contributing churches, on the basis of their ability and former contributions, their respective shares of this amount which should be raised in the State. The committee make this assessment as a *suggestion* to the churches of what is *needed* from them, and they hope all will make an earnest effort to reach, and, if possible, go beyond the sums named. They further urge the churches to make their collections before the first of January, 1884.

The apportionment of contributions to the Home Missionary Society desired from churches in the State is as follows:

Elkhart	$60 00
Fort Wayne	40 00
Michigan City	65 00
Cardonia	12 00
Indianapolis, Plymouth	40 00
Indianapolis, Mayflower	42 00
Kokomo	28 00
Terre Haute	90 00
Angola	15 00
Pleasant Lake	3 00
Fremont	15 00
East Gilead	10 40
Jamestown	10 00
Orland	31 72
Ontario	5 00
Bremen	11 44
Hebron	20 00
Pisgah	8 00
Westchester	2 60
Central	5 00
Cedar Wood	5 00
Lanesville	5 00
Solsberry	20 00
Liber	10 00
Vigo, South	5 00
Vigo, West	7 00
Marshall	10 00
Olive	6 00
Ridge	2 50
Hart Township	2 50
Montgomery	2 50
Pleasant Grove	1 00

CONSTITUTION.

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ART. III. Any minister or delegate holding connection with the State Association shall be considered a member of this Society.

ART. IV. The officers of this Society shall be a President, Secretary and Treasurer. The President shall be elected by ballot for the term of two years; the State Missionary shall be *ex officio* Secretary of the Society, and the Treasurer shall be elected annually, *viva voce*.

PRESIDENT.

ART. V. The President shall preside at all the meetings of the Society; shall act as President of the Executive Committee, hereinafter provided for, and perform other duties incident to that office.

SECRETARY.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

ART. VIII. The Society shall elect annually two from their number, who, with the President, Secretary and Treasurer, shall constitute an Executive Committee, to whom all applications for aid to churches shall be submitted for their approval. This committee shall have supervision of all the missionary work in this State; it shall look especially after the interests of the pastorless churches, furnishing them temporary supplies and helping them to a permanent ministry whenever practicable. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to meet at least once a quarter for consultation in planning the work of the State Missionary, in acting upon applications for aid, and doing such other business as the best interests of missions in the State require. They shall also, by their Secretary, report to the Society at its annual meetings all their proceedings for approval.

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Fort Wayne is in a healthy condition, both financially and spiritually. The membership is increasing; Sabbath-school flourishing; congregations good.

Fremont has secured the services of D. W. Andrews. The church is gaining influence in the community; its services and Sabbath-school are well attended.

Hebron is happy and prosperous under the ministrations of Rev. L. A. Smith. Three young men have gone forth from this church to preach the Gospel, during the past year.

Jamestown is associated with Fremont in sharing the services of Rev. D. W. Andrews. The people are united and earnest in the support of public worship.

Michigan City has built a new parsonage and is in every way prosperous, doing a large work in that growing city.

Ontario has repainted its house of worship and reports good congregations. It will be served during the summer by a student from Yale Theological Seminary, J. A. Stemen.

Orland shares with Ontario the services of Bro. Stemen; the general work of the church is promising. Loving co-operation with sister churches is maintained.

Pleasant Lake has suffered from neglect since the retirement of Pastor Hickmott. The church is greatly afflicted in the death of its most valued member, Mrs. Robinson.

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

REV. ROBERT McCUNE, SEC'Y.

The *Cardonia* church, under care of Bro. Hayes, reports a year of blessing and prosperity.

At *Cedarwood*, under care of Brother Trueblood, the congregations are good, the people interested and hopeful, many young people attending both church and Sunday-school.

Lanesville, also supplied by Bro. Trueblood, had been disorganized for a considerable time, because left without a pastor. Pastoral work resumed two years ago with sixteen members. The Sunday school has an attendance of about eighty persons.

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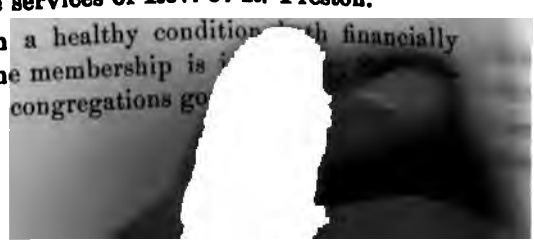

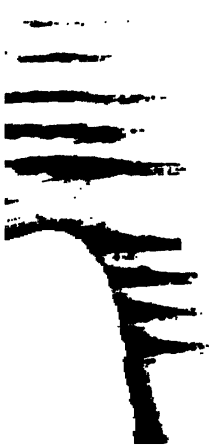

Central, also supplied by Bro. Trueblood, has twenty-four members, and is considered an important point. A meeting-house is in process of erection. The church is made up of respected and influential persons. The church is in a growing and prosperous village. The members are active and hopeful. A Sabbath-school of fifty members.

The *Terre Haute* church, under care of Bro. Crofts, reports increasing congregations at public worship. The church building has been repaired and improved. The prayer meetings are well attended, and discouragements previously existing are passing away. The Sunday-school reports an attendance of from 140 to 180.

The *Plymouth Church,* Indianapolis, under care of Rev. O. C. McCulloch, reports a pleasant year. Good congregations on Sabbath; a good Thursday evening service. Plans are being laid for the erection of a new church building.

The *Mayflower Church,* Indianapolis, Rev. N. A. Hyde, Pastor, reports a number of members received during the year. Congregations are encouraging, and the work going on hopefully. Sabbath-school is larger than ever. The church property has been much improved, and a new pipe organ obtained.

Kokomo reports good congregations, and increasing religious interest. Sunday-school attendance from twenty to thirty. The church property has been much improved, a fence built around the church property and parsonage, and a new furnace placed in the building.

Solsberry is supplied by a Licentiate, Bro. E. E. Frame, whose work is highly appreciated by the people. The church is active, the meetings are well attended and full of interest. Solsberry has no saloons, and the opposition to them is so strong there will probably not be any established.

Cincinnati has a house of worship, but no stated services.

Liber has had a prosperous year. A deep religious spirit has pervaded the congregation; the membership has increased.

Marshall is without a pastor, and somewhat discouraged.

Peru—No report.

Pisgah is building a new house in the town of Fort Recovery; has bright prospects of growth in numbers and influence.

Vigo South and West are now happily supplied by a Licentiate, Rev. F. A. Clancy, and the religious interest is increasing.

Westchester has repaired its house of worship, and is giving new signs of life and prosperity.

SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION.

REV. LEVIN WILSON, SEC'Y.

The Evangelical Association of Southern Indiana and Illinois was organized on the 4th of April, 1855, in a grove in Johnson township, Gibson county, Ind., its membership consisting of Lewis Wilson, Thomas B. McCormick and Levin Wilson.

This Association holds that churches are independent; that all Christians ought to be members of the church of their locality, and that there ought to be but one church of Christ in the same place.

This Association took at the beginning, and continues to keep upon advanced ground in regard to all great moral questions of the times. Its members were at first stigmatized with the odious name of abolitionists, for they stood in the front rank of anti-slavery men, and rejoiced that they were counted worthy to suffer for Christ and humanity. They early joined issue with the whisky-makers, vendors and drinkers, resisting their nefarious work, for which they have been abused and cursed.

This Association holds that the Christian should be wholly the Lord's, separated from all sin. Hence it is not considered consistent for Christians to be united with secret societies.

This Association believes that there is, and ought to be, a Sabbath, and that individuals and corporations are morally bound to observe it as a day of rest and devotion.

The churches are, as a general rule, in a healthy condition. They have lost valuable members by removal and by death. These losses have proved a sore affliction. While there have been additions, it is doubtful whether they have more than kept good the membership during the past few years.

Five of the churches have houses of worship without indebtedness. The Association has a Missionary Committee which receives and disburses funds. Three of the ministers are giving some evidence of old age, yet they do about an average amount of preaching.

CONGREGATIONALISM IN INDIANA.

[An historical paper, read before the General Association at its 25th annual session, held in Indianapolis, May 12, 1883.]

BY N. A. HYDE, PASTOR OF MAYFLOWER CHURCH.

This meeting of the General Association of Indiana marks an epoch in its history. We are here to celebrate our quarter-centennial anniversary. Our brethren from the older States may smile at our elation in attaining to our twenty-fifth birthday. What is that compared with the 176 years of our good, sedate sister of Connecticut, or the two centuries of our elder and more dignified sister of Massachusetts.

We can not expect our friends to understand altogether our feelings on this occasion. We are pioneers and founders. Our happiness is a luxury that those who have entered into other men's labors can not fully appreciate.

Our history, in which some here present have been participants from the beginning, may seem to be without incident—it may be marked more for its disappointments than its triumphs. Yet to those who have put their hearts and lives into these "beginnings of things," which are to live and grow and bless the world, there is no need of vindicating this memorial service.

It has fallen to my lot to introduce these commemorative exercises by setting forth, as far as it can be done in a brief statement, the more important facts in regard to the introduction and progress of Congregationalism in Indiana.

The task assigned to me might seem to be a comparatively easy one, inasmuch as I have been a member of this body since its organization and have some personal acquaintance with the history of most of the churches since the date of their formation.

But the facts of the case are not as they appear. The longest and most interesting chapter of Congregationalism in Indiana relates to

its work on this territory, at least a quarter of a century before it had a name to live. It was here in considerable force early in the century doing blessed missionary work, but under another name. The Presbyterian Church garnered all the fruits of these early labors.

Congregational archives have scanty records of this period of missionary service on this field. So far as our denominational annals are concerned, scarcely any memorials are preserved of more than thirty years of Congregational history in Indiana. We find traces of it in the records of other denominations which we served. For example, a brief history of the Presbyterian Church of Indiana, published at Madison, in 1827, by John M. Dickey, as cited by Dr. Roy in an historical sketch, delivered before this body in 1876, makes this acknowledgement of indebtedness to societies which had operated on this territory:

"Of these the Connecticut Missionary Society seems to have the first claim to our gratitude. Her missionaries have been found among the first heralds of the cross in these western wilds, and for whole years together have they prosecuted their arduous labors amid perils and privations innumerable."

I have said we have no Congregational annals of the first work done by New England on this field. I should make exception of a bundle of precious pamphlets, yellow with age, preserved in the Congregational Library at Boston. These documentary treasures, which I had the pleasure of perusing a few hours, are the annual reports of the Missionary Society of Connecticut, which antedates all organizations of the kind in the country.

All honor to old Congregational Connecticut, who, in her large Christian charity, extended her munificent hand and sent her courageous missionaries to plant the Gospel in this territory when only Indian trails marked the way to the infant settlements. There is a moral grandeur in the spectacle presented by the Puritan churches of this old commonwealth, assembled in the ancient town of Hebron, Tolland county, in 1798, declaring it to be their object to "Christianize the heathen of North America, and to support and promote Christian knowledge in the new settlements within the United States."

These words sound like a refrain from the New England hills, wafting westward the Lord's great commission to preach the Gospel to every creature.

There are rare bits of history in these old records of the labors and sacrifices of the missionaries of this Society on this and other western fields. I can give but a taste in the limits of this paper.

The first notice of the presence of the Connecticut Society in Indiana is in the year 1816. Rev. Nathan B. Darrow, who had labored as a missionary seven years in New Connecticut, was then transferred to Indiana. He soon reports the organization of two Presbyterian churches and four bible societies. He gives an account of a tour of exploration from Jeffersonville across the State to Fort Harrison, near Terre Haute, and then down the Wabash river into the Illinois territory. In this journey he preached to a large number of new settlements.

The Connecticut Society had four missionaries at work in Indiana in 1816 - the year she was admitted into the Union as a State.

In 1817 Rev. Orrin Fowler was sent on to this field. His labors were very abundant and successful. He preached almost daily. His circuit included ten counties in the middle and eastern portion of the State. He says men came from ten to fifteen miles to hear the word from his mouth. Several Presbyterian churches were organized through his instrumentality.

The next year Rev. Isaac Reed, a graduate of Middlebury College, Vermont, having previously labored in Kentucky, came over to this State and took charge at first of the church at New Albany, where he organized the first Sabbath-school in Indiana. He performed several years of most valuable service, being most of the time under commission of the Connecticut Missionary Society. We hear of his preaching at Madison, New Corydon, the capital of the State, Crawfordsville, Bloomington and other important points, in some of which he organized Presbyterian churches.

Passing other names, we come to one conspicuous in the religious history of the State, Rev. David C. Proctor.

He was sent out in 1823 by the Connecticut Society, and began his labors in Indianapolis, the new capital. After a few months service he, with the assistance of Rev. Isaac Reed, organized the First Presbyterian Church of this city with thirteen members. He continued some time to serve the young church, giving one-fourth of his time to Bloomington, seventy miles away.

I can not forbear quoting an acknowledgement by the first church of this city of their indebtedness to the Congregational churches of Connecticut. It is in these words:

"On the 20th of September, 1823, the congregation at Indianapolis, who have been favored with the services of Rev. David C. Proctor, passed the following resolutions:

"*Resolved*, That the thanks of the congregation be tendered to the Connecticut Missionary Society for services of the Rev. David C. Proctor among us in the spring of 1822, and that the Society at

this place very highly appreciate the Christian benevolence of their Eastern brethren, who, in addition to their exertions to promote the interests of religion in their own country, and also to spread its light among the nations of Asia and the Indians of America, are doing so much to supply with preaching and ordinances of the Gospel the destitute new settlements in our Western country.

"*Resolved*, That a copy of the above resolution be transmitted to the Connecticut Missionary Society.

[Signed] "ISAAC COE, *Chairman.*
"JAS. M. RAY, *Secretary.*"

About this time (1823) Rev. Isaac Reed, then located at Fort Harrison, writes to Connecticut, as follows:

"The nearest minister to me, of our order, is Bro. Proctor, of Indianapolis. The next is south seventy miles; the next is southwest, at Vincennes, eighty miles or over, and within these points there are twelve towns, *i. e.*, places laid out in building lots. The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church has two missionaries in the State about half the time, for six months Besides that there are none, except those employed by your Society."

I must add another extract from Mr. Reed's reports in 1824. He writes:

"I have just returned from a missionary tour of Wabash river—went as high as Connerstown, one of the Delaware towns. I found there a man and his wife from Connecticut, members of the church. The man has kept up a Sabbath meeting in his house, though in the midst of a very irreligious settlement, till he has read the whole of the three volumes of the 'Village Sermons.'"

In this same year this Connecticut missionary writes again about another tour in April:

"In this tour I was nearly two days in session of *our* Presbytery. It was the first meeting. We have now a Presbytery in this State named Salem, belonging to the Synod of Kentucky."

At this period immigrants were pouring into Indiana, and the Connecticut Society was active in organizing churches in the county seats and important centers, including such places as Rushville, Greensburg and Greencastle. In 1825 Mr. Reed reports the existance of 37 Presbyterian churches, 3 Presbyteries, and 14 ministers.

In this year, 1825, mention is made in these reports of our sister city, Terre Haute. The incidents are of such an interesting character, I venture to restate them. Writing, Nov. 29, this active missionary says: "Last night I preached at Terre Haute, but a few of the villagers attending, but two men, both professors of religion,

who lived eight miles distant, came to the meeting and returned the same night. I thought it seemed like hungering for the word."

This preaching of Mr. Reed must have had some influence on these villagers, though they were not church-goers, for, the next year, 1826, Rev. Mr. Crow came that way and preached, as he says, on a lovely day in May (7th) at 11 o'clock. He adds: "I had a large congregation. I was much pleased to find the town so still on the Sabbath. Its order has improved within a short time, but alas, it is without a religious society." [This shows at least that fair-weather services began to be well attended early in the history of that town.]

In 1827, this same missionary, in another letter to the Connecticut Society, gives his hearty thanks for the aid granted to Indiana, and concludes as follows:

"I may venture to affirm that nearly one-half the Presbyterian churches of Indiana have been planted by your missionaries. Twenty years ago the first church, located at Vincennes, Knox county, was formed, and called after the territory, 'the Indiana Church.' Now we have about sixty churches and sixteen effective ministers."

This is told as though it would be glad tidings to the Congregational churches of Connecticut, and it undoubtedly was. I doubt if history can furnish another instance of church propagandism so self-renouncing as this. Here we have a record of at least thirty churches planted in the important centers of this State in its formative period, including the capital, by the agency of Congregational money and missionaries, *every one* of which was molded in the Presbyterian form. There remains after all these years of service not a single church to bear the name of the foster mother that had planted and nourished so many churches on this field.

We come now to another stage in this pre-historic period of Congregational history in Indiana. It began in 1826, when the Connecticut Society, the Domestic Missionary Society of New York, were succeeded by the national society known as the American Home Missionary Society.

At this point the Congregationalists and Presbyterians united in the work of Christianizing the new States and territories of the West. They contributed to a common treasury, professedly leaving the form of church institutions to be determined by the wishes of the people in the several communities where their mis-ionaries labored. Its operations were conducted really on the old principle known as "the plan of union," adopted in 1801 by the Connecticut Society and the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church.

We shall see, it continued to result practically in giving all the fruits of the missionary service to Presbyterianism. It was a partnership in which the smallest contributor received all the profits for a long series of years.

At this time the population of Indiana was increasing rapidly; immigrants were pouring in from all quarters. This created a more urgent demand than ever for missionary work in the State. Accordingly we find in 1830, that the National Society had eighteen missionaries in Indiana, appropriating to their use $3,367.

The qualities of the missonaries sent here from the East is deserving of notice. Many of them became prominent in the history of the State and the country. One of these men was the Rev. M. M. Post, who was commissioned to the old trading post, now the flourishing city of Logansport. He says, in a sketch of his life, that he made his journey thither in the winter, on horseback, from Madison, over roads without bridges, swimming angry currents, wading weary miles of deep, half liquid compound of earth, snow and ice. At this place Dr. Post has spent a long life of usefulness. His ministry has been greatly blessed, few having done more than he to build up Christian society in Indiana.

Ed. O. Hovey, Caleb Mills, graduates of Hanover College and Andover Seminary, came from New England about this time, first as Home Missionaries. They soon directed their efforts to the cause of Christian education, and bore a leading part in the founding and building of Wabash College. Here we find in the list of Home Missionaries the name of Ed. P. Humphrey, who labored for a time in Indiana, and afterwards became a distinguished divine of Kentucky. Two other names the world has heard of began here their career as Home Missionaries.

H. W. Beecher was commissioned to Lawrenceburg in 1837 on the liberal salary of $400. Charles Beecher was assigned to the Second Presbyterian Church of Ft. Wayne. Henry Little, the veteran Home Missionary agent, the founder of churches, whose labors were signally blessed with revivals of religion and conversions of souls, was another of the marked men sent by the Home Missionary Society to this State. These and many others who came from Congregational homes and Congregational education to this field were some of the distinguished men of their time.

The union of the Congregationalists and New School Presbyterians continued up to 1860, when the latter body withdrew and carried on its missionary work independently, leaving the Congregationalists the only constituency of the old Society. For several years while this union of the two bodies lasted, upwards of fifty

missionaries were employed in this State. In 1851 the number rose to sixty-three. This efficient missionary service did as much, if not more than any other agency, to make this a Christian State. The fruits of it are seen in the noble body of Presbyterian churches to be found in nearly all the leading towns of the State.

Now it is well known that very many of these honored and useful missionaries were themselves Congregationalists; they were the choicest sons of New England, nurtured in her Puritan homes, educated in her colleges and seminaries. It is known also that many of these churches were largely composed of New England material, especially in the northern part of the State. And it is admitted that during these years the Congregationalists contributed the larger part, at least two-thirds, of the funds that sustained this grand work. Yet the churches organized were formed on the Presbyterian pattern. It does not appear that the agents and missionaries of the American Home Missionary Society, while it represented the two denominations, planted a single purely Congregational church.

This could not have been for want of opportunity, for several churches were formed in the northern counties on "the plan of union," which showed they preferred the Congregational form and did retain the organic feature of internal self-government, while without exception they were taken under the care of Presbytery, and were always reported as churches of that order.

I can think of but three of the "plan of union" churches in which affiliation did not finally result in complete absorption. I refer to the churches at Michigan City, Elkhart and Orland. When we think how persistently the idea was inculcated that Congregationalism was not adapted to the West, and that all Eastern people ought to surrender their preferences, it is a wonder that they also did not succumb to the pressure. It was literally through much tribulation that they maintained the principles of their polity. They are to be especially congratulated that at length they are relieved from all entangling alliances, and now stand in rank with their sister churches, complete, after the pattern that was given to the fathers.

It may be questioned whether the church at Elkhart should be included in this list, for after a long period of resistance against the effort to change its principles, the organization and the property were transferred, by vote of the majority, to another system. A little company, however, remained faithful, and, greatly grieved at their loss, they went out homeless and sorrowful, but resolute, and began to lay anew the foundations of a church of the Pilgrim

polity. I shall never forget the scene when the little company of thirteen, one of them upwards of three score and ten years, stood in the house which their fathers built, and which was soon to be locked against them, and solemnly covenanted to walk together as a church of Jesus Christ. Thank God, their faith and courage have been rewarded. After a few years of noble sacrifices they are permitted to worship in a house more beautiful than the former house, and the little band has become a strong one, and God has richly blessed their labors. So we keep this church among the three that came down to us through the troublous times of ecclesiastical conflict.

The question is asked, why was it that New England was so willing to give her strength, the fruits of her toils to another church system?

In an article in the *New Englander*, 1876, Dr. W. W. Patton, discussing the causes which limited the growth of Congregationalism, finds, very justly I think, one cause in the evident subordination of polity to the maintenance of certain forms of theological truth. He says:

"The early Congregationalists were nursed amid doctrinal controversies. John Robinson took part in Holland in the opposition to Armenianism, and the events of the times threw the churches into sympathy with the Reformed Dutch and Presbyterian bodies, which shared their antagonism to Episcopacy. Hence there arose a disposition to consider Calvinism the main thing to be conserved and propagated. This tended to make an easy passage for members into churches of other Calvinistic denominations, when local convenience or social and business considerations tempted. The common remark was made, 'The denominations are almost the same; they agree in doctrine; the only difference is in church government.'"

With this idea the New England pastors and the theological seminaries at Andover and New Haven encouraged the young men going West to unite with Presbyteries. This was so generally the course taken that those who saw fit to establish Congregational churches in the West were looked upon with some distrust; they were criticized as disorderly in practice and probably loose in doctrine. It made no difference if they could show that their creeds and church policy were molded upon the New England pattern.

This became such a grievance that a national convention of Congregationalists was called in 1846 for consultation on the condition, prospects and wants of the Congregational churches of the West. Michigan City had the honor of being selected as the place for holding this convention. We may justly take some pride in the fact

that Indiana has this distinction of entertaining the first of modern national Congregational councils.

Considering the time and place the convention was well attended. The committee who sent out the invitations speak of the convenient access to Michigan City as follows:

"It is situated on Lake Michigan, forty miles from Chicago, thirty miles from St. Joseph, from which places it can be reached daily, by steamboat. Persons from the East may take the route of the upper lakes to Chicago, or from Detroit across the State by rail and stage-coach to St. Joseph.'

Five Western States and three Eastern States were represented in the convention. Wisconsin sent Rev. J. J. Miter; Michigan such men as Rev. L. Smith Hobart, Hon. C. G. Hammond, then of Detroit; Illinois, Wm. J. Kirby, of Jacksonville, J. B. Walker of Chicago, and many others; Indiana, Rev. M. T. Jewett, of Terre Haute, Rev. D. M. Bardwell, of Ontario; New York sent David Hale; Massachusetts, Parsons Cooke and Isaac P. Longworthy. They were in session five days. The discussions were spirited. The Western pastors spoke out of full hearts concerning the opposition they encountered in the attempt to transplant the institutions of their fathers on Western soil, and the misrepresentations that had gone back to prejudice their Eastern brethren. A few words from one of the papers on the adaptation of Congregationalism to the West will give an insight into the temper of this meeting:

"An alleged want of adaptedness to the peculiar circumstances of Western people is an objection so often repeated that it has come to be believed by many. It meets us in every log cabin, and under every green tree. Skillfully wielded, it is capable of producing, and has produced, a mighty effect. Had it not been for this potent, all pervading argument, Puritan institutions would, ere this, have predominated.

"After an experiment of 250 years, we are told that this polity is not adapted to the new settlements of the West. What a libel on the history of the past, and upon all that is sacred in truth! What churches in all the earth, since the primitive disciples fell asleep, have been more active in every good word and work?"

The convention had its effect. It opened the eyes of the churches at the East to the true situation of their Western brethren; it began a revolution in public opinion which found more pronounced utterance in the Albany Convention in 1852, when a building fund was raised for church extension.

I have thus far spoken of the history of our church order in Indiana, as it did its work, wholly or in part, tributary to another church system.

We turn now to its history as we find it working under its own banner. To find the beginning of this history we must retrace our steps a little. While the denomination was yet affiliated with Presbyterianism in missionary work, we find a church at Terre Haute in spirit and form strictly Congregational, although, for reasons, it did not at first assume that name. It was the first of our order in Indiana, being organized in 1834. So far as I can learn, the movement was strictly independent of the Home Missionary Society. That church never was a beneficiary of the Society, and that fact probably accounts for its steadfast adherence to its principles. At the risk of repeating a history that is familiar to some, I will recur to the circumstances in which this pioneer church had its origin. A bright, vigorous young minister from New England was on his way to the "far West," with true missionary zeal, in search of a field of labor. He halted at this new county seat on the Wabash, on a Saturday night to spend the approaching Sabbath. The tradition is that the settlers of the region were gathered there in force to attend a horse race. It was soon noised about the settlement that a strange minister was at the public tavern, and there was a general demand that the young Yankee minister should preach at the court house. Mr. Jewett was always at home when he was preaching. He had many elements of the orator. He always spoke with enthusiasm and ability. His first sermon was a success, and his Hoosier hearers had a free and easy way of making their opinions known.

All the community, the religious and irreligious (and it was mostly the latter sort) said he must stop there and become their preacher. That Sunday decided his residence and work for life. He formed a church on the principles of equality of the brotherhood, on a doctrinal platform broad enough to take in all sects that held the essential truths of the Gospel. The church, from the beginning until now, has been the leading organization of the city. For many years it stood alone in its independency, declining all solicitations to enter into alliance with any ecclesiastical bodies. Its history illustrates strikingly that Congregationalism is adapted to the West, and is no exception to the rule that the denomination first on the ground has immense advantage over all that come after.

Dr. Jewett, one of the founders of this Association, was not only conspicuous in its history, but he gained a widespread fame and influence among other Christian bodies of the State. He was often summoned to aid the other churches in this city and elsewhere in times of religious awakening, and was not surpassed by any preach-

ers of his time in pulpit power. This ancient church is to be congratulated on its succession of able and efficient ministers.*

The church at Michigan City came into being one year later, 1835, and Orland in 1836, but as we have seen, both were immediately taken under care of Presbytery. I can not learn whether the church at Ontario, formed in 1840, had the same experience at first or not, but if so it did not continue long in that relation. It was soon, if not at first, a strictly Congregational church, and has the honor of being the second in the State.

For many years the church at Ontario was the only unequivocal representative of the Pilgrim polity in Northern Indiana. It has been able to hold this position against all solicitations to change, only by reason of a condition in the conveyance of the church property, which forbade a surrender of its organic principle of self-government. Having a small membership, it has, during a considerable part of its history, shared with a neighboring Presbyterian church in the services of a pastor. This church bore a vital part in the organization of the Northern Association in 1870.

At the time there was but this single church in the whole northern third part of the State that was free. Ontario was the only standing ground we had, and there this church and three or four brethren in their individual capacity, including Rev. Rufus Patch, of Ontario, for many years the Principal of the Collegiate Institute in that place, and Rev. Corbin Kidder, then serving the plan of union church at Orland, formed the Northern Association, which was to stretch its protecting arms over all Northern Indiana.

I doubt if an association was ever formed with only one church in it before; and I doubt if history ever more clearly confirmed the wisdom of taking a seemingly premature step than it has in this case. From that moment our cause took a fresh start. Brethren took courage when they learned that the strong arms of an ecclesiastical body were there to shield them. They had heard so much about the arms of Presbytery they had come to think a church could not live without ecclesiastical care. Now Ontario had given it to them. To-day that body presents a sisterhood of vigorous, growing churches, doing a blessed work for the Master.

We should be glad to give the history of some of the more recent enterprises, notably those of Fort Wayne, Angola, Bremen, Fremont, Pleasant Lake, Jamestown, Hebron, and East Gilead over the

*The successors of Dr. Jewett in the pastorate of the church at Terre Haute were Rev. Lyman Abbott, D. D., New York City; Rev. E. Frank Howe, Peoria, Ill.; Rev. S. S. Martyn, Peacham, Vt.; Rev. H. M. Bacon, D. D., Toledo, O., Rev. Thomas R. Bacon, New Haven, Ct.; and Rev. Charles P. Croft, the present incumbent.

Michigan line, but the limits of this paper will not permit. I ought to say, however, that special interest has centered in the organization at Fort Wayne on account of the importance of its location. We are glad, therefore, to say that the self-denying devotion of its membership and its prosperous condition give promise that this church will become a conspicuous center of power and influence among us.

Not long after a very interesting movement took place on the eastern border of the State, in Jay and Adams counties. Six or seven churches, some of them now extinct, took the ground of independency as a protest against what they considered the complicity of the Presbyterian Church with slavery. Their leader was Rev. I. N. Taylor, a man distinguished for his talents and his zeal in the cause of freedom and education. Some of these churches, for a time, received aid as anti-slavery missionary organizations.

The college founded under their fostering care at Liber was probably the second after Oberlin to open its doors to the colored race. In spite of the storm of reproach which it incurred, the institution flourished, and before the days of high schools did a grand work in training teachers for the public schools of that part of the State. It also includes among its graduates many men now distinguished in the various professions. I find the following churches and ministers reported in this district twenty-five years ago, viz: Adams county, Buena Vista, Liber, New Corydon, Pisgah, West Chester. Besides these, three others, Ohio township, Siloam and Union, appear in the first statistical table published; but I have never been able to locate them and it is doubtful whether they were ever more than temporary preaching stations. The ministers reported from this field a quarter of a century ago were Rev. I. N. Taylor, at Liber, Rev. Jas. H. Jones, at Decatur, Rev. J. G. Bruce, at West Chester, Rev. W. G. Montgomery, at Liber and Rev. M. W. Diggs, at Pisgah, Ohio.

These churches were organized into an Association (the first in the State) before 1858. It bore the name of "Upper Wabash Valley Association." A few years ago it was merged into the Central Association. These churches and their pastors fought a noble battle for freedom and had much to do in making that portion of Indiana a stronghold of anti-slavery sentiment. Since the exciting cause of their formation no longer exists, some of these churches have become extinct, or have passed into other ecclesiastical connections. Liber, West Chester and Pisgah remain in our fellowship, to be ever honored for the faithful testimony they have borne to the truth in the trying days of conflict.

In the same period another cluster of Congregational churches in Southern Indiana known as "The Pocket," had a similar origin. They were brought into being by the conflict with the pro-slavery sentiment which was as violent as it was dominent in that part of the State. The ministers who led this movement were Rev. Lewis Wilson, Rev. Levin Wilson and Rev. T. B. McCormick. These brethren still remain among us to enjoy the victory for which they fought so valiantly.

The young men of to-day know little of the persecutions and perils that fell to the lot of these fathers in the ministry. Our brother McCormick was obliged to flee from his home to escape the remorseless vengeance of the fugitive slave law. But persecution did not silence him any more than it did the first Christians. In his exile he went everywhere preaching the Gospel of freedom.

These brethren and their churches were originally in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Providence, in a very unusual way, brought them into the Congregational fold. Being practically driven out of their denomination, a body then committed to the defense of slavery, they found themselves standing alone, holding no allegiance to any ecclesiastical courts.

Had they a right so to live? This question was forced upon them. Like the Pilgrims of England they examined the Scriptures afresh for the constitution of the church.

Though no descendant of the Pilgrims was there to teach them, they found in God's word that ecclesiastical liberty, which afterward was as dear to them as the civil liberty for which they had contended. Hence they found fellowship with us.

These missionaries extended their influence over the State line, and, for many years, have been in close fellowship with brethren of similar spirit and views in Southern Illinois—notably the churches served by Rev. P. W. Wallace and Saywell Perkins. The Evangelical Association of Southern Indiana has always included in its membership these brethren in Illinois.

In 1857 a movement, strengthened by the new spirit of freedom which was abroad, was successful in organizing a Congregational church in this city. Repeated attempts had been made before, but they had always been thwarted by the activity of other denominations in planting new colonies. But the time had come when several original Congregationalists, who had connected themselves with the Presbyterian churches, felt that there ought to be a representative of the Pilgrim faith and polity at the capital of the State. The new church was, therefore, organized August 9, 1857, in the Senate chamber of the old State House, with 31 members, 5

of whom came into the church on profession of their faith, and the remainder on certificates from other churches. This movement was regarded with peculiar interest by the denomination at large. The council that advised and assisted in the organization was composed of the First Church, Terre Haute, Rev. M. A. Jewett, pastor; the First Church, St. Louis, Dr. T. M. Post, pastor; Seventh Street Church, Cincinnati, Rev. Dr. H. M. Storrs, pastor; the church of Dayton, Ohio, Rev. S. P. Fay, pastor; also Rev. Dr. Sturtevant, President Illinois College.

In framing their articles of faith and covenant, the church sought to present a basis of fundamental gospel truths on which all evangelical Christians could stand in harmonious fellowship. In the very outset of this movement the brethren declared their position on the question of slavery, which was then agitating the country. When it was yet odious in this latitude to be the advocate of universal freedom, the founders of Plymouth Church spoke against the national sin in unequivocal language.

The church, in all its early history, has received substantial tokens of the interest of their brethren in the other parts of the country. When the time came to build, liberal contributions were received from the churches in the East, and for a few years the first pastor received a part of his support from the old Connecticut Missionary Society. Circumstances have made it necessary to find a new home, and the congregation are about to erect another house of worship in a more eligible location.

In 1869 the Mayflower Church, the second of our order in this city, was organized, with twenty-five members. It now numbers one hundred and forty-nine, and has a good prospect of steady growth. It has the pleasure of opening its modest house to this body on this anniversary occasion.

The planting of a Congregational church at the capital was followed in the next year by the organization of this State Association. Up to this time there had been no fellowship among the few churches of this order in the State. The ministers had not met each other. It was not known how many there were who had adopted the Congregational way in their church life.

A call was issued inviting all interested in organizing the scattered representatives of our polity to meet on the 13th of March, 1858, at the State House, in Indianapolis.

It will be interesting to know who responded to this call. The following churches appeared by pastor and delegate:

Terre Haute – Rev. M. A. Jewett, Pastor; M. Barton, Delegate.

West Vigo, South Vigo—Rev. D. Andrews, Pastor; Wm. Goodman, Delegate.

Indianapolis—Rev. W. C. Bartlett, Supply; A. G. Willard, Delegate.

Marshall, Ill.—Rev. Jacob Chapman, Pastor; W. G. Adams, Delegate.

Westfield and Cicero—Rev. Jacob Neal, Pastor; L. White, Delegate.

Also Prof. Wm. Twining and Prof. J. D. Butler, of Crawfordsville.

Thus it appears that six churches responded to the call by pastor and delegate, and two ministerial brethren also presented themselves. After adopting a doctrinal basis, a statement of church polity, a State conference was duly constituted. It then adjourned to meet again Oct. 11, at the same place, to strengthen the organization by inviting other churches to join them. The same persons returned at the October meeting, and the following additional ministers reported, viz:

Liber—M. W. Montgomery, Delegate.

Buena Vista, New Corydon, Limber Lost, First Church, Adams county—Rev. Jos. H. Jones, Pastor.

Also Rev. W. W. Atwater, a Connecticut minister serving the church at Elkhart.

Another adjourned meeting was held in the same place Nov. 25. At this meeting the name "Association" was adopted instead of 'Conference."

It was a small body of churches to take its place among the State Associations, but the wisdom of the step was made apparent in the new impulse that was given by its existence to the Congregational cause in the State.

In the first statistical table of churches of our name in the State thirty names appear, but it is evident that several were placed on the list on doubtful rumor, since not more than eighteen or twenty held their places in subsequent reports, and four or five of them at the time were only semi-Congregational churches, being enrolled also as members of Presbytery.

The twenty five years that now close, cover the whole period since the American Home Missionary Society has been exclusively a Congregational agency. During these years the progress of Congregationalism in Indiana has been slow; its *golden* opportunity had passed with the formative period of the State, but the progress for the most part has been of a substantial character. We now have in the Association thirty-six churches, thirty-one in the State; the remaining five associated with us belong to adjoining States.

Of these thirty-one only twelve were in existence twenty-five years ago. Twelve churches have come into existence in the last decade. The membership of our churches is now upwards of 2,000; the Sabbath-school attendance 2,503.

We have had the experience of other denominations in the extinction of some weak churches planted in small places that had no growth, and some have disappeared that sprang up in the anti-slavery agitation.

But the new ones are generally located in growing communities and much more than fill the places of those that have been dropped. While our experience does not justify the expectation of rapid progress, once cherished, it does confirm the conviction that the leaven of this Pilgrim type of church life is quietly working in the public mind. Its history shows that a representation of this form of the church is demanded, especially in larger towns and cities, to furnish a home to those who come from Congregational training in other States.

Then this polity has shown its peculiar adaptation for uniting the heterogeneous elements of new communities in maintaining the public worship of God. When we look back over the history of our country and see what the Puritan churches have done in New England and the West for Christian civilization, for Christian education, for genuine revivals of religion; and when we contemplate its missionary enterprises for the evangelization of the world, we may justly rejoice that we are in this goodly fellowship. We surely have abundant cause to continue the work of planting and fostering in this State churches that are to be exponents of the piety, the faith and missionary zeal of the New Testament polity.

At the next Jubilee few of us will be alive to see the changes that shall be wrought. Others, in a larger assembly, will then pass in review our work. This fact need cast no shadow upon our hearts. It is rather our rejoicing that we are privileged to lay foundations of institutions that are to live when we are gone—institutions that in their very nature are allied to all that is most sacred and precious in the life and hope of humanity.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

N. A. Hyde,

In Account with the General Association of Indiana.

1883. DR.

May 12—To receipts

Church at Bremen	$4 00
Church at Terre Haute (two assessments)	30 00
Church at Montgomery	2 80
Church at Central Union	1 50
Church at Solsberry (two assessments)	6 30
Church at Fort Wayne	10 00
Church at Fremont	2 20
Church at Jamestown	1 30
Church at Hebron	4 00
Church at Pleasant Grove	1 00
Church at Cardonia	5 00
Church at Liber (two assessments)	3 20
Church at Ontario	1 50
Church at Ind anapolis, Plymouth (two assessments)	21 10
Church at Ind anapolis, Mayflower (two assessments)	21 80
Church at Vigo, South and West (two assessments)	7 30
Church at Orland (two assessments)	9 10
Church at Elkhart two assessments)	14 60
Church at East Gilead	4 28
Church at Brazil	2 00
Church at Michigan City	12 00
Church at Pisgah	2 50
Contribution by N. A. H	50 00
Deficit	19 72
Total	$237 20

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By balance due the Treasurer	$32 49
Expenses for one Delegate—	
Bremen	8 90
Montgomery	11 00
Solsberry	3 35
Fort Wayne	4 00
Fremont and Jamestown	11 90
Hebron	8 60
Pleasant Grove	9 00
Cardonia	3 35
Liber	5 30
South and West Vigo	6 00
Orland	10 00
Elkhart	9 70
T. B. McCormick	7 60
East Gilead	10 50
Michigan City	8 75
Pisgah	5 90
Tr. National Council, in full	24 36
Printing notices, postage for statistics, etc	4 50
Three Hundred Minutes	52 00
Total	$237 20

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 1, 1883.

NORTHERN ASSOCIATION.

Sidebotham

CHURCHES.	Organized	MINISTERS.	Ordained	Commenced	Members, May 1, 1883.				Additions.			Removals.				Baptized.		Sunday Schools	Charities.						Home Expenditures.
					Male	Female	Total	Absent	Profession	Letter	Total	Death	Letter	Discipline	Total	Adults	Infants		Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Ch. Building	Freedmen	Other Causes	Total	
Andrews	1883	~~S. L. Smith, Licent.~~		1883	3	11	14																		
Angola	1869	J. A. Dobson, a. p.		1883	10	40	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	66	$8					$8	
Bremen	1874	H. C. Funkhouser, a. p.	1878	1882	12	38	50	8	9	1	10	0	0	0	0	4	8	65	10	$5	0	0		15	$576
Elkhart	1869	M. W. Darling, a. p.	1878	1879	31	77	108	20	7	3	10	4	2	0	6	5	7	115	27	$8	$6	0	$75	146	1,785
East Gilead, Mich.	1865	J. R. Preston, a. p.		1883	12	12	24	4	2	2	4	0	0	0	0	2	0	75	11	0	0		3	14	232
Ft. Wayne, Plymouth	1870	J. M. Seymour, a. p.	1873	1877	38	82	120	21	13	10	23	2	15	1	18	2	5	185	27	68	0	$25	37	157	1,328
Fremont	1874	D. W. Andrews, a. p.		1883	5	17	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	6					6	70
Hebron	1882	L. A. Smith, a. p	1853	1882	13	33	48	2	6	4	10	1	3	0	4	0	0	130	21					21	480
Jamestown	1872	D. W. Andrews, a. p.		1883	10	11	21	8	0	2	2	1	4	0	5	0	0	35	5				20	25	90
Michigan City	1835	E. H. Smith, a. p.	1869	1880	57	100	157	46	3	3	6	0	5	0	5	2	1	155	55	48	35	50		188	5,000
Ontario	1840	~~J. A. Stemen, Licent.~~	~~1879~~	~~1880~~	8	10	18	3	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	65	7				25	32	200
Orland	1836	~~J. A. Stemen, Licent.~~	~~1879~~	~~1880~~	17	54	71	10	3	2	5	2	0	0	2	8	1	60	42	0	0	23	40	105	500
Pleasant Lake	1879	J. A. Dobson, a. p.	1850	1877	2	8	10	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	57							
					218	497	713	124	44	27	71	11	30	1	42	23	22	1,048	$219	$159	$41	$98	$200	$717	$9,760

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

CHURCHES.	Organized	MINISTERS.	Ordained	Commenced	Members, May 1, 1883.				Additions			Removals.			Baptized		Sunday-schools	Charities.						Home Expenditures
					Males	Females	Total	Absent	Profession	Letter	Total	Deaths	Letter	Discipline	Total	Adults	Infants		Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Ch. Building	Freedmen	Other Causes	Total	
Cardonia	1879	James Hayes, p	1879	1879	19	42	61	9	4	2	6	1	6	0	7	0	3	170	$6	$3	$5	0	0	$14	$135
Cedar Wood	1881	Jasper Trueblood, a. p	1878	1882	12	14	26	0	17	0	17	0	0	0	0	12	0	75	3	.....	...	...	.....	3	75
Central	1881	Jasper Trueblood, a. p	1878	1882	16	16	32	2	9	0	9	4	0	0	4	5	0	40	3	.....	...	...	.....	3	750
Cincinnati	1875	.....	.....	.....	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.....	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....
Indianapolis, Plymouth	1857	O. C. McCulloch, a. p	1870	1877	66	97	163	58	7	1	8	0	5	0	5	2	1	100	14	.....	...	...	$140	154	3,500
Indianapolis, Mayflower	1869	N. A. Hyde, a. p	1858	1872	33	96	149	21	3	10	13	0	1	0	1	3	3	185	25	46	0	0	90	162	1,600
Kokomo	1863	Robert McCune, a. p	1849	1881	35	87	122	10	0	4	4	0	2	0	2	0	0	98	15	51	11	0	.....	77	1,600
Lanesville	1876	Jasper Trueblood, a. p	1876	1881	13	7	20	5	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	.....	...	...	.....	3	.....
Liber	1854	F. Stovenour, a. p	1865	1882	20	23	43	4	6	7	13	1	0	0	1	3	2	110	9	...	...	...	30	39	84
Marshall, Illinois	1841	.....	.....	.....	19	65	84	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	0	0	0	...	.....	.....	.....
Peru	1877	.....	.....	.....	10	20	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	.....	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....
Pisgah	1854	M. W. Diggs, a. p	1857	1856	13	18	31	7	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	15	3	0	0	0	18	1,568
Solsberry	1868	E. E. Frame, Licentiate	.....	1883	40	40	80	0	29	0	29	0	0	0	0	20	2	125	17	.....	...	...	.....	17	135
Terre Haute, First	1834	Charles P. Croft, a. p	1873	1881	68	216	284	30	13	13	26	4	1	32	37	1	0	225	156	.....	47	...	82	285	4,000
Vigo, South	1854	F. A. Clancy, ~~Licentiate~~	1883	1883	22	25	47	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	1	.....	...	...	.....	1	.....
Vigo, West	1849	F. A. Clancy, ~~Licentiate~~	1883	1883	8	17	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	.....	...	...	.....	2	.....
Westchester	1854	M. W. Diggs, a. p	1857	1879	3	3	6	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	4	.....	...	...	10	14	149
					419	787	1206	207	91	38	129	10	15	32	57	46	11	1358	$274	$103	63	$0	$352	$792	$13,596

OTHER MINISTERS.—Ebenezer Tucker, Union City; W. W. Goodman, West Vigo; Luman P. Rose, Charles S. Warburton, Indianapolis.

EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN INDIANA.

Churches.	Organized	Ministers.	Ordained	Commenced	Members, May 1, 1883.				Additions			Removals.				Baptized.		Sunday schools.	Charities.						Home Expenditures.
					Male	Female	Total	Absent	Profession	Letter	Total	Deaths	Letter	Discipline	Total	Adults	Infants		Home Missions	Foreign Mis.	Church Build'g	Freedmen	Other Causes	Total	
Central Union	1882	Caleb Greene, a. p.	1880	1882	8	7	15	0	4	11	15	0	0	0	0	4	0	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	$50	$50	$15
Hart Township	1856	Lewis Wilson, a. p.	1849	1856	7	10	17	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Montgomery	1852	Lewis Wilson, a. p.	1849	1856	12	16	28	0	0	0	0	1	8	0	9	0	0	30	$4	0	0	0	.....	4	.....
Ridge, Illinois	.....	P. W. Wallace, a. p.	1860	1860	9	14	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Grove	1855	Levin Wilson, a. P.	1849	.....	2	4	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.....
Olive, Illinois	1879	P. W. Wallace, a. p.	1860	1878	9	20	29	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	.....
					47	71	118	3	6	11	17	2	8	0	10	4	0	240	$4	0	0	0	$50	$60	$15

OTHER MINISTERS.—T. B. McCormick, Princeton.

MINISTERS,

AND THEIR POST OFFICE ADDRESSES.

Andrews, D. W. Fremont, Steuben county.
Clancy, F. A. Maxville, Vigo county.
Croft, Charles P., Terre Haute.
Darling, Marcellus W., Elkhart.
Diggs, Marshall W., Fort Recovery, Mercer county, Ohio.
Dobson, J. A., Angola, Steuben county.
Funkhouser, H. C., Bremen, Marshall county.
Goodman, William W., Maxville, Vigo county.
Greene Caleb, Oakland City, Gibson county.
Hayes, James, Cardonia, Clay county.
Hyde, Nathaniel A., Indianapolis.
McCormick, T. B., Princeton, Gibson county.
McCulloch, Oscar C., Indianapolis.
McCune, Robert, Kokomo.
Perkins, Saywell, Albion, Edwards county, Illinois.
Preston, J. R., East Gilead, Branch county. Mich.
Rose, Luman, P., Indianapolis.
Seymour, Joel M., Fort Wayne.
Smith, Edward H., Michigan City.
Smith, L. A., Hebron, Porter county.
Stovenour, Frederick, Portland, Jay county.
Trueblood, Jasper, Mauckport, Harrison county.
Tucker, Ebenezer, Union City.
Warburton, Charles S., Indianapolis.
Wilson, Levin, Cynthiana, Posey county.
Wilson, Lewis, Oakland City, Gibson county.

Sidebotham, Andrews

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

CHURCHES—1 with pastor; 28 with acting pastors; 4 supplied temporarily by licentiates; 3 vacant. Total, 36.

MINISTERS—1 pastor; 18 acting pastors; 7 others. Total, 25.

CHURCH MEMBERS—684 males; 1,355 females. Total, 2,037, including 334 absent.

ADDITIONS IN 1882-'83—141 by profession; 76 by letter. Total, 217.

REMOVALS IN 1882-'83—23 by death; 53 by dismission; 33 by discipline. Total, 100.

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SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

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MINISTERS OF INDIANA,

HELD WITH THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, TERRE HAUTE, MAY 14-16, 1884.

TOGETHER WITH THE REPORT OF THE FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF INDIANA.

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OFFICERS OF ASSOCIATION.

MODERATOR.

REV. ROBERT McCUNE, - - - - KOKOMO.

SCRIBE.

REV. EDWARD H. SMITH, - - - - MICHIGAN CITY.

SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

REV. N. A. HYDE, - - - - - INDIANAPOLIS.

The next annual meeting will be held at Fort Wayne, commencing Wednesday, May 13, 1885, *at* 7:30 *P. M.*

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. This Association shall be called "The General Association of the Congregational Churches and Ministers of Indiana."

ART. II. This Association shall not exercise any judicial authority over the ministers and churches belonging to it; but its object shall be to promote Christian love and fellowship among its members; to obtain and disseminate religious information relative to the churches throughout our State, our country and the world, and to strive together, in prayers and counsels and faithful efforts, to advance the cause of truth and holiness.

ART. III. It shall hold annual meetings; and Evangelical churches of the Congregational order may each be represented by its pastor and three delegates, and any minister shall be entitled to a seat in this body, provided that such churches or ministers shall have first joined the District Association within whose bounds they are located.

ART. IV. At least one sermon shall be preached at each annual meeting, and the preacher shall be appointed at the previous meeting.

ART. V. At each annual meeting each church is expected to furnish, by its pastor, delegates or otherwise, a written statistical report of the number of members, male and female; additions during the last year, by profession and by letter; removals, by dismissal, death, or excommunication; baptisms, adult or infant; Sabbath-school teachers and scholars; contributions to benevolent objects.

ART. VI. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator and Scribe, elected annually, by ballot, and a Secretary elected triennially by ballot, who shall be, *ex officio*, the Treasurer of the Association.

ART. VII. It shall be the duty of the Scribe to keep full and accurate minutes of the transactions of the Association, and after they have been adopted, to place them in the hands of the Secretary.

ART. VIII. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to give due notice, through the public papers, of the time and place of each meeting; to read the Rules of the Association at the opening session; carefully to record such parts of the minutes of each meeting as may not be printed;

to receive statistical reports from the churches, and prepare the same for publication; to send a notice to all the Scribes of local Associations, not more than three months nor less than one month before the annual meeting of the State Association, that they are expected to present a written report to the meeting of the state of religion within their bounds; to receive and distribute publications presented to the Association, and to preserve for the Association all communications addressed to it. As Treasurer, he shall have charge of all moneys belonging to the Association, and shall disburse the same as the Association shall direct. He shall, annually, present a report of the state of the treasury, and also state the sum, in his opinion, necessary to be raised for the ensuing year.

ART. IX. Five members shall be requisite to form a quorum for the transaction of business; but, for opening and adjourning the meeting, a less number shall be competent.

ART. X. The annual meeting of this Association shall be held on the second Wednesday of May, commencing at 7½ o'clock P. M., and shall remain in session until the ensuing Friday evening.

ART. XI. This constitution may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of the Association by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS.

1. Every daily session shall be opened with prayer, and closed with prayer and benediction.

2. Statistical reports shall be written and filed with the Secretary.

3. Ministers in good standing, connected with other bodies of Evangelical Christians, may be invited to sit as Corresponding Delegates.

4. Delegates presenting themselves for seats in the Association shall present satisfactory evidence that they have authority from the churches to represent the same.

5. Unfinished business shall ordinarily occupy the attention of the Association before new subjects are introduced.

6. Resolutions should be committed to writing, and motions be seconded and repeated by the Moderator, or read aloud, before they are open to debate.

7. Any member personally present at the annual meeting of any corresponding body is authorized to represent this Association in the failure of the regularly appointed delegate, and a copy of this by-law shall be his credentials.

8. An assessment shall be asked by the Secretary from the churches sufficient to provide for printing and circulating the Minutes and other incidental expenses.

MINUTES.

The twenty-sixth annual meeting of the Congregational Churches and Ministers of Indiana was held with the First Congregational Church of Terre Haute, May 14–16, 1884.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

The opening sermon was preached by Rev. J. M. Seymour, of Ft. Wayne, from John xvi: 13. "Howbeit when he, the Spirit of Truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth, for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak; and he shall show you things to come." Revs. Robert McCune and N. A. Hyde assisted in the services.

THURSDAY MORNING.

At 8:30 Rev. E. H. Smith led a devotional service. At 9 o'clock the Association was called to order by Rev. M. W. Darling, the retiring Moderator. Rev. E. H. Smith acted as temporary Scribe.

The following pastors and delegates responded to the call of the roll:

NORTHERN ASSOCIATION.

Angola—Rev. J. A. Dobson, Pastor.

Elkhart—Rev. M. W. Darling, Pastor; Mrs. Sarah Lake, Delegate.

East Gilead—Rev. J. R. Preston, Pastor.

Fort Wayne—Rev. J. M. Seymour, Pastor.

Michigan City—Rev. E. H. Smith, Pastor; Mrs. E. H. Smith, Delegate.

Orland—Rev. J. R. Preston, Pastor.

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Cardonia—Deacon H. C. Thomas, Rev. James Hayes, Rev. Z. Wills, Delegates.

Indianapolis, Mayflower Church—Rev. N. A. Hyde, Pastor; Mrs N. A. Hyde, Mrs. Ellen B. Grover, Mr. Herbert Whitehead, Rev. C. S. Warburton, Delegates.

Indianapolis, Plymouth Church—Rev. O. C. McCulloch, Pastor; Mr. L. H. Smith, Mrs. Sarah F. Smith, Delegates.

Kokomo—Rev. Robert McCune, Pastor; Mrs. Julia H. McCune, Delegate.

Terre Haute—Rev. C. P. Croft, Pastor; Deacon Harry Ross, Deacon S. H. Potter, Dr. W. R. Elder, Mr. L. R. Perdue, Delegates.

South Vigo—Rev. F. A. Clancy, Pastor; Mr. Robert Smith, Mr. H. T. Machlin, Delegates.

West Vigo—Rev. F. A. Clancy, Pastor.

MINISTERIAL MEMBER.

Rev. L. P. Rose, Indianapolis.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

Rev. Simeon Gilbert, D. D., Western Editor of *The Congregationalist.*

Rev. S. J. Humphrey, D. D., Sec. A. B. C. F. M.

Rev. A. E. Winship, Sec. New West Education Commission.

Mr. M. C. Hazard, Western Sec. Cong. S. S. and Pub. Society.

Rev. H. Schauffler, Home Missionary Superintendent for Foreign Population.

Rev. E. H. Smith, Agent American Bible Society.

Rev. G. W. Bainum, Pres. Church, Greencastle.

Rev. C. H. Taintor, Sec. Am. Cong. Union.

ORGANIZATION.

Rev. Robert McCune, of Kokomo, was elected Moderator, and Rev. E. H. Smith, of Michigan City, Scribe.

The following committees were appointed:

On Business—Revs. J. M. Seymour, N. A. Hyde and Dea. Harry Ross.

On Finance—Rev. O. C. McCulloch, C. P. Croft and Bro. H. C. Thomas.

On Resolutions—Revs. M. W. Darling, L. P. Rose and Bro. D. J. Baldwin.

On Programme for Next Meeting—Revs. J. M. Seymour, M. W. Dowling and E. H. Smith.

Reports on the condition of the churches were heard from pastors and delegates until the hour arrived for a meeting of the State Home Missionary Society.

The Association then took a recess to afford an opportunity for the Home Missionary Society of Indiana to hold its annual meeting.

At 12 o'clock the Association adjourned to partake of a lunch, served by the ladies of the congregation in the parlors of the church.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

Association convened at 1:30. Prayer was offered by Rev. C. H. Taintor.

Rev. M C. Hazard read a communication from the Congregational Sunday-school and Publishing Society, ad-

dressed to the Association. The paper was referred to a committee consisting of Revs. J. M. Seymour and C. S. Warburton.

The question of paying the traveling expenses of delegates was discussed and referred to the Finance Committee.

A request was presented by the church at Marshall for a letter of dismissal from the Association to the Central District Association of Illinois.

On motion, it was granted, and Rev. N. A. Hyde was requested to draft the letter.

The Treasurer presented his report, which was referred to the Finance Committee.

The Association was addressed by Rev. H. F. Schauffler on the question "How to reach the foreign population"

Rev. M. W. Darling followed with an address on "Religion as seen by a Congregationalist."

Mrs. Prof. G. B. Willcox, of Chicago, addressed the Association on the work of the Woman's Board of Missions.

Rev. Simeon Gilbert, D. D., followed with an address on behalf of the American Missionary Association.

Took a recess till 7 : 30 P. M.

THURSDAY EVENING.

THE NEW CREED.

The evening was devoted to a discussion of the New Congregational Creed.

Rev. E. H. Smith, by request, read the statement of doctrine put forth by the commission appointed by the National Council.

Rev. Robert McCune and Rev. O. C. McCulloch opened the discussion. They were followed by Revs. E. F. Howe, A. E. Winship, N. A. Hyde, J. M. Seymour, E. H. Smith and Prof. Thompson. The discussion was spirited and was listened to with deep interest by a large audience.

FRIDAY MORNING.

A devotional service was held at 8:30 o'clock, led by Rev. M. W. Darling.

BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES.

Rev. A. E. Winship addressed the Association in behalf of the New West Commission.

Rev. C. H. Taintor advocated the claims of the Congregational Union.

Rev. J. J. Humphrey, D. D., spoke on the subject of Foreign Missions.

THE NEW CREED.

On motion of S. H. Potter the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the New Creed as reported and published by the Creed Commission, after being fully discussed by the Association, be approved and recommended for adoption by the Congregational Churches of Indiana.

DEATH OF BRO. M. R. ANDREWS, OF KOKOMO.

Rev. N. A. Hyde presented the following memorial which was adopted as the expression of the Association:

The General Association of Indiana, in session at Terre Haute, May 16, 1884, having received the sad tidings of the death of Bro. M. R. Andrews, of Kokomo, adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That we have heard with deep sorrow of the death, in Florida, of our Bro. M. R. Andrews, a beloved and honored member of the Congregational church at Kokomo. We record with gratitude our appreciation of his long life of faithful Christian service. His presence and counsels in the meetings of this body, the wisdom, the self-denial of his efforts to plant and sustain churches of the Pilgrim faith and order in this State, and especially his great services as one of the founders of our sister church at Kokomo, will be cherished in a precious memory among us.

Resolved, That we herewith extend our warmest sympathy and Christian consolation to the family bereaved by this afflictive providence.

SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

The following report of the committee to whom was referred the communication of the Committee of the National Council on Sunday schools, was adopted:

We recommend (1), That the Association appoint a standing committee of three on Sunday-school work, the chairman of which shall be the Secretary of the State Association, who shall look after the interests of the Sunday-schools, collect statistics in accordance with the request of the National Committee; (2), That the Association commend the observance of "Children's Day" to the churches on the second Sunday of June.

C. S. WARBURTON.
J. M. SEYMOUR.

In accordance with the above reports, Revs. M. W. Darling and J. M. Seymour were appointed, with the Secretary of Association, a committee on Sunday-school work.

NEXT MEETING.

Voted to hold the next meeting of Association with the church at Ft. Wayne.

FRIDAY EVENING.

The meeting was opened with prayer, by Rev. Kurner, pastor of the M. E. Church, of Terre Haute.

Mr. Hazard then addressed the audience on the Sunday-school work as it is carried on by the Congregational Sunday-school Society.

Prof. Thompson, of Polytechnic Institute at Terre Haute, read a paper on "A Principle in Amusements."

Resolutions of thanks were voted to the church and friends in Terre Haute, for their kind hospitality extended to the members of the Association; to the press of Terre Haute for its daily reports of procedings; to the Vandalia railroad for favors, and to Prof. Thompson for his able paper, with the request that the paper be published by the press of Terre Haute.

After a pleasant social reunion the Association adjourned to meet at Fort Wayne, May, 1885.

ROBERT McCUNE, *Moderator.*
E. H. SMITH, *Scribe.*

[Attest:]
N. A. HYDE, *Secretary.*

HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF INDIANA.

FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The fourth annual meeting of the Home Missionary Society of Indiana was held with the First Church of Terre Haute, Thursday, May 15, 1884, at 10 o'clock A. M., Rev. N. A. Hyde, President, in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the President.

Rev. E. H. Smith, of Michigan City, was chosen Scribe.

Rev. L. P. Rose, the General Missionary and Secretary of the Society, read the minutes of the last meeting and the report of the doings of the Executive Committee during the past year.

The report was referred to a committee, consisting of the following brethren: Rev. M. N. Darling, Rev. C. P. Croft and Dea. S. H. Potter.

Rev. N. A. Hyde then read a paper on "The Emergency in our State Missionary Work," which urged a more watchful care of the weak, dependent churches, and more vigorous efforts to plant new churches in fields destitute of Gospel privileges.

Rev. J. M. Seymour and Rev. E. Frank Howe and Mr. M. C. Hazard followed with remarks upon the subject of the paper.

The Society was then addressed by Rev. H. A. Schauffler on the work of the Home Missionary Society among the foreign population in our country.

A recess was taken till Friday afternoon.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

2 O'CLOCK.

The Committee on the Report of the General Missionary submitted the following report:

Your committee, to whom was referred the report of the General Missionary, beg leave to submit the following recommendations:

1. The continuance of Rev. L. P. Rose as General Missionary.

2. That the Executive Committee, in addition to the members *ex-officio*, consist of Rev. J. M. Seymour, of Fort Wayne; Rev. Robert McCune, of Kokomo; and Rev. C. P. Croft, of Terre Haute.

3. That all plans for the prosecution of the work be referred to the Executive Committee.

4. We recommend that the Missionary work in the State be carried on with more vigor, and that all the churches contribute more generously to this work.

C. P. CROFT.
S. H. POTTER.
M. N. DARLING.

The following officers were elected: Rev. N. A. Hyde, President; Rev. C. S. Warburton, Treasurer.

The eighth article of the Constitution was amended so as to read "three" instead of "two," in the first line, thereby increasing the Executive Committee to five, as recommended by the committee.

The report of the committee was then adopted.

The following delegates were appointed to attend the annual meeting of the American Home Missionary Society, to be held at Saratoga, June 3, 1884, viz.: Revs. J. M. Seymour, E. H. Smith, L. P. Rose, M. W. Darling, C. P. Croft.

It was voted that we adopt the schedule of the contributions to Home Missions recommended by the General Missionary.

On motion, the Society adjourned.

N. A. HYDE, *President.*
E. H. SMITH, *Scribe.*

L. P. ROSE, *Secretary.*

FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

OF THE

HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF INDIANA.

REV. L. P. ROSE, *Secretary.*

For the sake of convenience and that the actual need of missionary work in the State may be better understood, we will divide our churches into three classes. The first and largest class includes:

WEAK CHURCHES THAT HAVE RECEIVED NO MISSIONARY AID.

There have been, during most of the year, seventeen of this class. Three of this number, Peru, Cincinnati and Pleasant Grove, have suspended all services and seem to be near extinction. Some of the remaining fourteen have been temporarily supplied with preaching; others have been served by lay workers or licentiates from their own number. None of this class are able to sustain a regular minister. These churches have an aggregate membership of 480, not including twenty-five received during the year. They have contributed to Home Missions $119.95. All have good Sunday-schools, and are active in church work. Marshall and Ontario have been destitute of preaching most of the time. East Gilead has been greatly revived by the labors of Rev. J. R. Preston, who came to the help of the church without stipulated compensation. Orland and Lake George also have recently enjoyed the benefit of his services. Liber and Westchester have been kindly supplied more or less by Rev. F. Stovenour, who depends on other occupation for his support. His services with these churches have been greatly blessed. The general missionary has devoted special attention to this class of churches. He has assisted in five series of Gospel meetings of a week or more each.

He has administered the Lord's Supper seventeen times, received into church membership thirty-nine, baptized thirty-one, and dedicated two houses of worship.

CHURCHES SUPPLIED BY MISSIONARIES.

Ten missionaries have been employed within the year who have served sixteen churches and six out-stations. Many changes have taken place since the year began. By the removal of Bros. Cash and Carrick three churches and four out-stations were left vacant, all but one of which have been supplied most of the time since without aid. Solsberry was served by E. E. Frame for six months, when he left to attend the Theological Seminary at Chicago; the church is now acceptably supplied by a licentiate, William Law, without aid. The church at Andrews, supplied six months by Rev. William Sidebotham, recently from England, is now vacant. Hebron has also recently lost its pastor, Rev. L. A. Smith.

At the present time we have but five local missionaries in the field, who are serving eight churches and three out-stations, at an average salary of $535, with aid from the Home Missionary Society, averaging $235.

A marked degree of prosperity attends nearly all the churches of this class. They are taking root and gaining influence in the communities where they are located. They have received additions aggregating fifty-five. Their contributions to Home Missions amount to $187.22. Two churches, Central in Harrison county, and Pisgah, at Fort Recovery, Ohio, have built and dedicated, free from debt, beautiful houses of worship, at a cost respectively of $2,000 and $3,000. They have done this with small aid from the Congregational Union. Jamestown has decorated its church walls and raised the money to finish the tower. Fremont and Hebron have also made repairs to their houses. Angola has increased its Sunday-school from fifteen to sixty-five, and attendance on public worship from twenty to two hundred and fifty. Thus some positive progress has been made by nearly all these churches. Pleasant Lake alone is an exception. This church has been so depleted by deaths and removals that regular services have been abandoned.

EMPLOYMENT OF THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS.

Two students from the Yale Theological Seminary were employed under the auspices of the Home Missionary Society, during vacation months last summer. Mr. John A. Stemen supplied three preaching points in the Orland field, and Mr. S. L. Smith the young church at Andrews. Both were devoted to their work, and gained the confidence and esteem of their parishioners. As much good was accomplished as could be expected in a brief term of service.

SELF-SUSTAINING CHURCHES.

Seven churches, with a resident membership of 877, employ each a pastor. In each case the pastoral relation exists without installation. Four pastors have served their churches upwards of five years; none have served less than three. All these churches enjoy prosperity. The church at Kokomo has canceled an old mortgage, and paid the last dollar of indebtedness, raising for this purpose, during the year, upwards of $3,000. Plymouth Church, Indianapolis, has erected a new house of worship at a cost of nearly $40,000; Mayflower Church, Indianapolis, has added a new pipe organ to its fixtures, costing $1,000; Michigan City has provided its pastor with an elegant parsonage, a permanent investment of $3,500. Ft. Wayne, Terre Haute, and Elkhart have had a year of marked prosperity. All these churches have paid into the treasury of the A. H. M. S. $319.95.

PROGRESS.

One church at Beech Grove, Harrison county, has been informally organized by Rev. Jasper Trueblood, with ten members. Other new enterprises are in contemplation at different points in the State. Experience teaches that a church brought into life will not long survive without care and nourishment. The critical period in the life of every church is usually within its first five, perhaps three years. Nearly all our visible resources are required to keep alive the churches we have, and this has made us timid about undertaking aggressive work. We have practically assumed that no more aid could be expected for this State than we are now receiving, but are we not at fault in this matter? Why should we not expect the friends of missions to be interested in the spiritual needs of promising fields in this central State as well as in the far West? We ought to go forward. Every county seat of 10,000 inhabitants and over should have one or more live Congregational churches, and when we have demonstrated that these needs exist our calls for men and money can not be refused.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO HOME MISSIONS.

The contributions to the American Home Missionary Society from this Association, this year, have been $576.25. A small portion of this amount came from churches in adjoining States connected with our Association. Thus we redeemed our pledge to the parent Society to raise $550, a considerably larger sum than had ever before been raised on this field.

A letter recently received from the Secretaries at New York reveals the startling fact that in making our apportionment the same as last year, it is on the basis that in the coming year their receipts will have to be $50,000 more than in the last. Would an increased contribution of $50 be more than our proportion of the $50,000 necessary to keep

so important a work progressing? Will not twenty-five of our churches give $2.00 each more than they did last year to keep our apportionment of $2,000 good another year? All that we raise is retained in the State, and increases our chance for larger grants from outside! We earnestly recommend, therefore, that the churches pledge to the American Home Missionary Society the sum of $625.00, and that each raise and report to the Secretary or Treasurer of the Society, on or before the first day of February, 1885, the sum apportioned to each in the following schedule:

Elkhart	$55 00
Fort Wayne	55 00
Indianapolis, Plymouth	45 00
Indianapolis, Mayflower	50 00
Kokomo	45 00
Michigan City	60 00
Terre Haute	100 00
Andrews	7 50
Angola	20 00
Bremen	15 00
Central	5 00
Cedar Wood	5 00
East Gilead	10 40
Fremont	12 00
Hebron	20 00
Jamestown	10 00
Lanesville	5 00
Ontario	5 00
Orland	35 00
Pisgah	15 00
Solsberry	20 00
Westchester	5 00
Cardonia	12 00
Center Union	2 50
Hart Township	2 50
Liber	10 00
Marshall	10 00
Montgomery	5 00
Olive	6 00
Ridge	5 00
Vigo, West	5 00
Vigo, South	5 00
Pleasant Grove	1 00

ENCOURAGEMENTS.

While the year has developed no marked changes, yet on the whole it has been one of encouragement. Several churches have been greatly refreshed with special revival seasons, which have added to their membership and strengthened their influence. The building of three houses of worship and repairing of others, two new parsonages, increased contributions, an unusually large number of efficient ministers, the organization of six Sabbath-schools, are some of the signs of prosperity which encourage us to enter hopefully upon the work of the future.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. This Society shall be called "The Home Missionary Society of Indiana."

ART. II. The object of this organization shall be to promote the interests of the Congregational Churches of the State, especially by securing their more efficient co-operation in home missionary work.

ART. III. Any minister or delegate holding connection with the State Association shall be considered a member of this Society.

ART. IV. The officers of this Society shall be a President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The President shall be elected by ballot for the term of two years; the State Missionary shall be *ex officio* Secretary of the Society, and the Treasurer shall be elected annually, *viva voce*.

PRESIDENT.

ART. V. The President shall preside at all the meetings of the Society; shall act as President of the Executive Committee, hereinafter provided for, and perform other duties incident to that office.

SECRETARY.

ART. VI. The Secretary shall keep a record of all the proceedings of the Society and Executive Committee, of all the applications of churches for aid, of the name and date of commission of all the missionaries of the State and the amount granted each, and of the contributions of the churches to the A. H. M. S., as reported to him from time to time.

TREASURER.

ART. VII. The Treasurer shall receive and disburse all the funds of the Society, under the direction of the Executive Committee, and make a report of the same to the Society at their annual meetings.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

ART. VIII. The Society shall elect annually three from their number, who, with the President, Secretary and Treasurer, shall constitute an Executive Committee, to whom all applications for aid to churches shall be submitted for their approval. This committee shall have supervision of all the missionary work in this State; it shall look especially after the interests of the pastorless churches, furnishing them temporary supplies, and helping them to a permanent ministry when ever practicable. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to meet at least once a quarter for consultation in planning the work of the State Missionary in acting upon applications for aid, and doing such other business as the best interests of missions in the State require. They shall also, by their Secretary, report to the Society at its annual meetings all their proceedings for approval.

ART. IX. This constitution may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of the Society by a two-thirds vote of all the members present.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

N. A. Hyde,

In Account with the General Association of Indiana.

1884. DR.

May 15—To receipts

Church of Angola	$2 00
Church of Elkhart	4 40
Church of Cardonia	1 35
Church of Fort Wayne	5 00
Plymouth Church of Indianapolis	10 00
Mayflower Church of Indianapolis	10 00
Church of Marshall	50
Church of Michigan City	6 00
Church of Terre Haute	15 00
Church of South Vigo	1 55
Total	$55 80
Deficit	34 66

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By balance due the Treasurer	$18 72
Treasurer National Council	35 24
Postage on statistics, minutes, etc	1 50
Three hundred Minutes	35 00
Total	$90 46

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 1, 1884.

NORTHERN ASSOCIATION.

CHURCHES.	Organized	MINISTERS.	Ordained	Commenced	Members, May 1, 1884.				Additions.			Removals.				Baptized.		Sunday Schools	Charities.						Home Expenditures
					Male	Female	Total	Absent	Profession	Letter	Total	Death	Letter	Discipline	Total	Adults	Infants		Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Ch. Building.	Freedmen	Other Causes.	Total	
Andrews	1883	J. Van Antwerp, a. p.	1847	1884	3	11	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$9	0	0	0	0	$9	.....
Angola	1869	J. A. Dobson, a. p.	1870	1883	3	24	27	0	4	0	4	2	0	0	2	1	0	65	10	0	0	0	$25	35	$500
Bremen	1874	H. C. Funkhouser, a. p.	1878	1882	12	38	50	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	75	14	0	0	0	0	14	600
Elkhart	1869	M. W. Darling, a. p.	1878	1879	33	85	118	12	13	5	18	0	7	0	7	10	3	155	25	$52	$11	$11	25	124	1,638
East Gilead, Mich.	1865	D. W. Andrews, a. p.	1877	1884	12	15	27	5	6	2	8	0	5	0	5	1	0	75	12	0	0	0	5	17	256
Ft Wayne, Plymouth	1870	J. M. Seymour, a. p.	1873	1877	39	89	128	13	14	4	18	0	10	0	10	4	4	220	41	46	0	15	23	125	1,463
Fremont	1874	D. W. Andrews, a. p.	1877	1883	6	23	29	0	4	3	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	15	0	3	0	0	18	220
Hebron	1882	Vacant	.....	.....	16	35	51	3	5	2	7	0	4	0	4	2	0	100	20	0	0	0	65	85	542
Jamestown	1872	D. W. Andrews, a. p.	1877	1883	6	13	19	0	1	5	6	1	0	0	1	0	0	50	10	0	5	0	0	15	120
Michigan City	1835	E. H. Smith, a. p.	1869	1880	39	80	119	30	4	2	6	2	10	28	40	3	4	154	50	40	16	37	0	143	2,185
Ontario	1840	Vacant	.....	.....	7	9	16	4	1	0	1	2	1	0	3	0	0	65	7	0	0	0	0	7	75
Orland	1836	J. R. Preston, a. p.	1865	1883	21	43	64	30	2	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	0	42	38	0	0	0	0	38	1,000
Pleasant Lake	1879	J. A. Dobson, a. p.	1850	1877	2	8	10	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
					199	473	672	109	54	23	77	7	39	28	74	21	13	1,041	$251	$138	$45	$63	$143	$630	$8,599

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION

Churches.	Organized	Ministers.	Ordained	Commenced	Members, May 1, 1884. Males	Females	Total	Absent	Additions Profession	Letter	Total	Removals. Deaths	Letter	Discipline	Total	Baptized Adults	Infants	Sunday-schools	Charities. Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Ch. Building	Freedmen	Other Causes.	Total	Home Expenditures
Cardonia	1879	Z. Wills	.....	1884	17	20	37	12	5	0	5	1	0	20	21	0	14	150	$14	0	$2	0	0	$16	$47
Cedar Wood	1881	Jasper Trueblood, a. p.	1878	1882	19	19	38	0	12	0	12	1	0	6	1	12	0	75	3	0	0	0	$25	28	40
Central	1881	Jasper Trueblood, a. p.	1878	1882	16	17	33	0	7	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	5	0	0	0	25	30	40
Cincinnati	1875	.....	.....	.....	2	2	4	0	1	0	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Indianapolis, Plymouth	1857	O. C. McCulloch, a. p.	1870	1877	55	116	171	49	39	4	43	1	2	18	21	...	...	125	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16,000
Indianapolis, Mayflower	1869	N. A. Hyde, a. p.	1868	1872	57	105	162	35	8	6	14	3	1	0	4	2	2	185	42	$60	0	0	0	102	2,000
Kokomo	1863	Robert McCune, a. p.	1849	1881	37	76	133	...	0	5	5	1	4	0	5	0	0	100	16	50	20	0	0	86	4,500
Lanesville	1876	Jasper Trueblood, a. p.	1876	1881	14	7	21	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	5	0	0	0	25	30	50
Liber	1854	F. Stovenour	1865	1882	20	22	42	11	1	0	1	0	2	8	2	1	0	150	10	5	0	0	25	40	90
Marshall, Illinois	1841	.....	.....	.....	17	56	73	27	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	65	12	0	0	0	40	52	222
Peru	1877	.....	.....	.....	10	15	25	.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.....
Pisgah, Fort Recovery, O.	1854	M. W. Diggs, a. p.	1857	1856	17	19	36	5	7	2	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	12	3	0	3	5	23	2,600
Solsberry	1868	W. Law, Licentiate	.....	1882	43	40	83	0	3	0	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	125	21	0	0	0	0	21	125
Terre Haute, First	1834	Charles P. Croft, a. p.	1873	1881	75	248	323	.....	18	19	37	6	3	4	13	4	13	225	109	62	29	0	88	288	4,776
Vigo, South	1854	F. A. Clancy, a. p.	1883	1883	15	18	33	0	0	0	0	1	4	8	13	0	0	40	1	0	0	0	0	1	.....
Vigo, West	1849	F. A. Clancy, a. p.	1883	1883	8	17	25	.....	.....	...	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....
Westchester	1854	F. Stovenour	1857	1879	7	9	16	4	9	0	9	3	0	0	3	2	0	45	6	0	0	0	0	6	48
					429	816	1245	143	111	39	147	17	19	50	86	21	29	1465	$256	$180	51	$3	$239	$673	$30,535

OTHER MINISTERS.—Ebenezer Tucker, Union City; W. W. Goodman, West Vigo; Luman P. Rose, Charles S. Warburton, Indianapolis.

EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN INDIANA.

Churches	Organized	Ministers.	Ordained	Commenced	Members, May 1, 1884.				Additions			Removals.			Baptized.		Sunday schools	Charities.					Home Expenditures
					Male	Female	Total	Absent	Profession	Letter	Total	Deaths	Letter	Discipline	Total	Adults	Infants		Home Missions	Foreign Mis.	Church Build'g	Freedmen	Other Causes	Total	
Central Union	1882	Caleb Greene, a. p.	1880	1882	6	9	15	0	3	0	3	0	0	3	3	0	0	40	$2	0	0	0	0	$2	$10
Hart Township	1856	Caleb Greene, a. p.	1880	1883	4	8	12	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	90	3	0	0	0	$7	10	.....
Montgomery	1852	Lewis Wilson, a. p.	1849	1856	12	16	28	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	.....
Ridge, Illinois	.....	P. W. Wallace, a. p.	1860	.....	9	14	23	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	0	0	0	0	7	.....
Pleasant Grove	1855	Levin Wilson, a. p.	1849	.....	2	4	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	0	0	0	0	1	.....
Olive, Illinois	1879	P. W. Wallace, a. p.	1860	1878	9	20	29	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	0	0	0	0	6	.....
					42	71	113	2	3	0	3	0	0	3	3	0	0	130	$19	0	0	0	$7	$26	$10

OTHER MINISTERS.—T. B. McCormick, Princeton.

MINISTERS,

AND THEIR POST OFFICE ADDRESSES.

Andrews, D. W. Fremont, Steuben county.
Clancy, F. A. Maxville, Vigo county.
Croft, Charles P., Terre Haute.
Darling, Marcellus W., Elkhart.
Diggs, Marshall W., Fort Recovery, Mercer county, Ohio.
Dobson, J. A., Angola, Steuben county.
Funkhouser, H. C., Bremen, Marshall county.
Goodman, William W., Maxville, Vigo county.
Greene, Caleb, Oakland City, Gibson county.
Hayes, James, Cardonia, Clay county.
Hyde, Nathaniel A., Indianapolis.
McCormick, T. B., Princeton, Gibson county.
McCulloch, Oscar C., Indianapolis.
McCune, Robert, Kokomo.
Perkins, Saywell, Grayville, White county, Illinois.
Preston, J. R., Orland, Steuben county.
Rose, Luman P., Indianapolis.
Seymour, Joel M., Fort Wayne.
Smith, Edward H., Michigan City.
Smith, L. A., Nebraska.
Stovenour, Frederick, Portland, Jay county.
Trueblood, Jasper, Mauckport, Harrison county.
Tucker, Ebenezer, Union City.
Van Antwerp, John, Andrews, Huntington county.
Warburton, Charles S., Indianapolis.
Wilson, Levin, Cynthiana, Posey county.
Wilson, Lewis, Oakland City, Gibson county.

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

CHURCHES—27 with acting pastors; 4 supplied temporarily; 5 vacant. Total, 36.

MINISTERS—17 acting pastors; 10 others. Total, 27.

CHURCH MEMBERS—670 males; 1,360 females. Total, 2,030, including 254 absent.

ADDITIONS IN 1883–'84—168 by profession; 59 by letter. Total, 227.

REMOVALS IN 1883–'84—24 by death; 58 by dismission; 81 by discipline. Total, 163.

BAPTISMS IN 1883–'84—42 adults; 42 infants.

IN SABBATH-SCHOOLS—2,636.

BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS—

Home Missions	$526
Foreign Missions	318
Church Building	86
Freedmen	66
Other causes	383
Total	$1,399

HOME EXPENDITURES—$39,144.

CHANGES—Churches added, 0; dropped from list, 0.

MINISTERS—Ordinations, 0; installations, 0.

ORGANIZATION—Three Associations of Churches. The churches are also united in a General Association, which includes two Illinois churches, viz: Olive and Ridge, and one Ohio church, Pisgah; one Michigan church, East Gilead. The church at Marshall was dismissed at its own request to the Central Association of Illinois.

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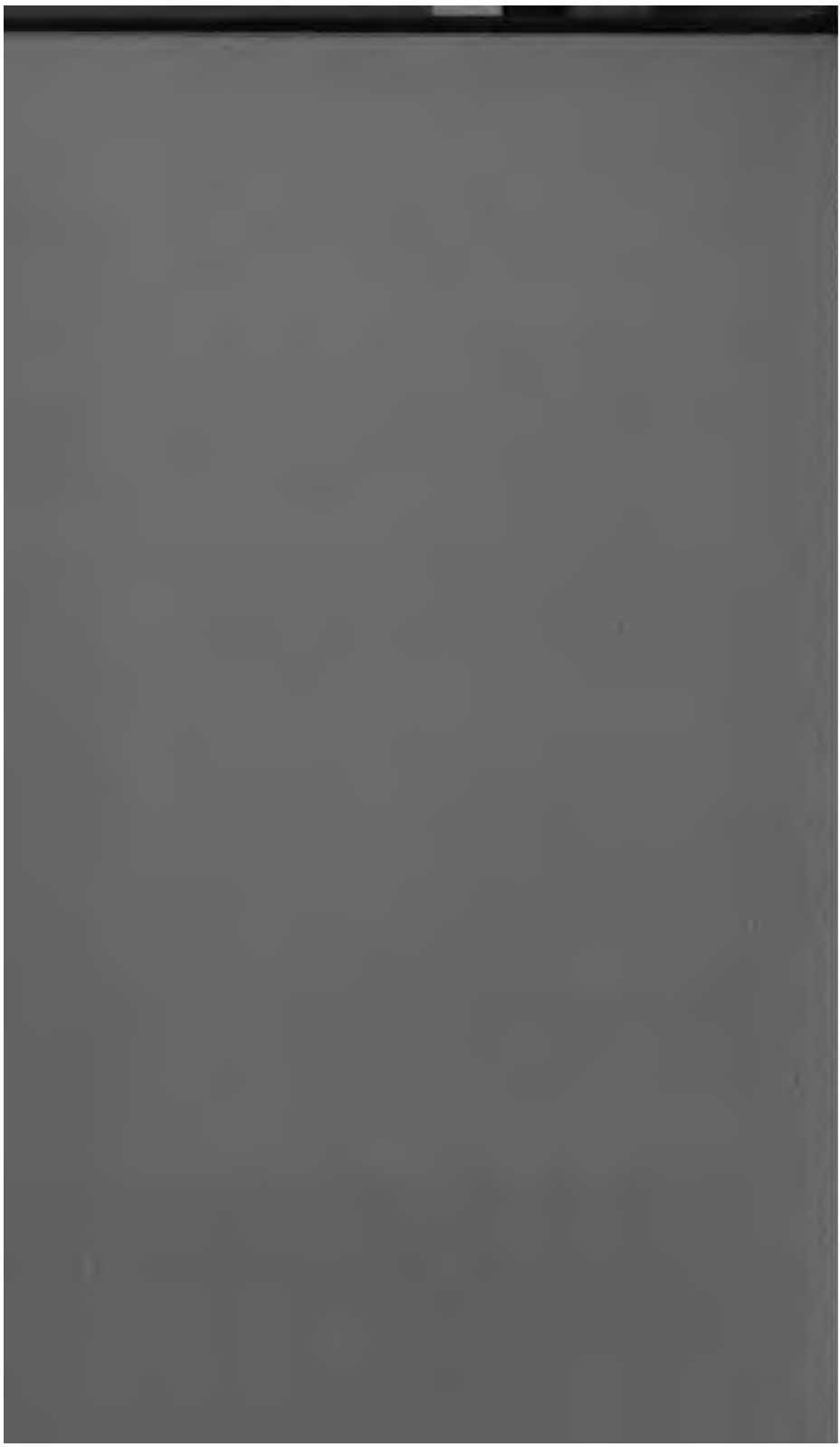

MINUTES

OF THE

ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

GENERAL ASSOCIATION

OF

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES

AND

MINISTERS OF INDIANA,

HELD WITH PLYMOUTH CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, FORT WAYNE
MAY 13-15, 1885.

TOGETHER WITH THE REPORT OF THE FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF INDIANA.

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OFFICERS OF ASSOCIATION.

MODERATOR.

REV. EDWARD H. SMITH, - - - MICHIGAN CITY.

SCRIBE.

DR. W. R. ELDER, - - - - - - TERRE HAUTE.

SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

REV. N. A. HYDE, - - - - - INDIANAPOLIS.

The next annual meeting will be held at Elkhart, commencing Wednesday, May 12, 1886, at 7:30 P. M.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. This Association shall be called "The General Association of the Congregational Churches and Ministers of Indiana."

ART. II. This Association shall not exercise any judicial authority over the ministers and churches belonging to it; but its object shall be to promote Christian love and fellowship among its members; to obtain and disseminate religious information relative to the churches throughout our State, our country, and the world, and to strive together, in prayers and counsels and faithful efforts, to advance the cause of truth and holiness.

ART. III. It shall hold annual meetings; and Evangelical churches of the Congregational order may each be represented by its pastor and three delegates, and any minister shall be entitled to a seat in this body, provided that such churches or ministers shall have first joined the District Association within whose bounds they are located.

ART. IV. At least one sermon shall be preached at each annual meeting, and the preacher shall be appointed at the previous meeting.

ART. V. At each annual meeting each church is expected to furnish, by its pastor, delegates, or otherwise, a written statistical report of the number of members, male and female; additions during the last year, by profession and by letter; removals, by dismissal, death, or excommunication; baptisms, adult or infant; Sabbath-school teachers and scholars; contributions to benevolent objects.

ART. VI. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator and Scribe, elected annually by ballot, and a Secretary, elected triennially by ballot, who shall be, *ex officio*, the Treasurer of the Association.

ART. VII. It shall be the duty of the Scribe to keep full and accurate minutes of the transactions of the Association, and, after they have been adopted, to place them in the hands of the Secretary.

ART. VIII. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to give due notice, through the public papers, of the time and place of each meeting; to read the Rules of the Association at the opening session; carefully to record such parts of the minutes of each meeting as may not be printed; to receive statistical reports from the churches, and prepare the same

for publication; to send a notice to all the Scribes of local Associations, not more than three months nor less than one month before the annual meeting of the State Association, that they are expected to present a written report to the meeting of the state of religion within their bounds; to receive and distribute publications presented to the Association, and to preserve for the Association all communications addressed to it. As Treasurer, he shall have charge of all moneys belonging to the Association, and shall disburse the same as the Association shall direct. He shall, annually, present a report of the state of the treasury, and also state the sum, in his opinion, necessary to be raised for the ensuing year.

ART. IX. Five members shall be requisite to form a quorum for the transaction of business; but for opening and adjourning the meeting a less number shall be competent.

ART. X. The annual meeting of this Association shall be held on the second Wednesday of May, commencing at 7:30 o'clock P. M., and shall remain in session until the ensuing Friday evening.

ART. XI. This constitution may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of the Association by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS.

1. Every daily session shall be opened with prayer, and closed with prayer and benediction.
2. Statistical reports shall be written and filed with the Secretary.
3. Ministers in good standing, connected with other bodies of Evangelical Christians, may be invited to sit as Corresponding Delegates.
4. Delegates presenting themselves for seats in the Associatian shall present satisfactory evidence that they have authority from the churches to represent the same.
5. Unfinished business shall ordinarily occupy the attention of the Association before new subjects are introduced.
6. Resolutions should be committed to writing, and motions be seconded and repeated by the Moderator, or read aloud, before they are open to debate.
7. Any member personally present at the annual meeting of any corresponding body is authorized to represent this Association in the failure of the regularly appointed delegate, and a copy of this by-law shall be his credentials.
8. An assessment shall be asked by the Secretary from the churches sufficient to provide for printing and circulating the Minutes and other incidental expenses.

MINUTES.

The twenty-seventh annual meeting of the Congregational Churches and Ministers of Indiana was held with the Plymouth Congregational Church of Fort Wayne, May 13–15, 1885.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

The opening sermon was preached by Rev. J. Leonard Corning, of Terre Haute, from 1 Tim. vi:12: "*Fight the good fight of faith.*"

Revs. Robert McCune and N. A. Hyde assisted in the services.

Adjourned till Thursday morning.

THURSDAY MORNING.

At 8:30 o'clock the Association engaged in devotional exercises, led by Rev. L. P. Rose.

At 9:30 the Association was called to order for regular organization, by the retiring Moderator, Rev. Rob't McCune.

ORGANIZATION.

Rev. Edward H. Smith, of Michigan City, was elected Moderator. Dr. W. R. Elder, of Terre Haute, was chosen Scribe.

Prayer was offered by the Moderator.

The roll was then called, and the following pastors and delegates responded:

Elkhart—Rev. M. W. Darling, Pastor; Mrs. M. W. Darling, A. P. Kent, Delegates.

Fort Wayne—Rev. E. A. Hazeltine, Pastor; Dea. B. F. Kimball, Dr. W. B. Knapp, Mrs. George Pixley, Mrs. P. L. Patten, Delegates.

Fremont—C. J. Dewey, Delegate.

Hebron—Charles Sherwood, Delegate.

Indianapolis, Plymouth Church—Rev. Oscar C. McCulloch, Pastor.

Indianapolis, Mayflower Church—Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde, Pastor; Dea. T. P. Sanborn; John Scott, Mrs. T. P. Sanborn, Mrs. Ira Grover, Mrs. L. P. Rose, Delegates.

Kokomo—Rev. Robert McCune, Pastor; Mrs. Julia H. McCune, Delegate.

Michigan City—Rev. Edward H. Smith, Pastor.

Orland—Rev. Jared R. Preston, Pastor; Mrs. Clarissa Roberts, Mrs. Nettie Aldrich, Delegates.

Pisgah—Rev. Marshall W. Driggs, Pastor.

Terre Haute—Rev. J. Leonard Corning, Pastor; Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Perdue, Dr. and Mrs. W. R. Elder, Mrs. J. F. Keith, Mrs. A. Foster, Delegates.

South Vigo—Rev. James Hayes, Pastor.

West Vigo—Rev. James Hayes, Pastor.

MINISTERIAL MEMBERS.

Rev. J. M. Seymour, Norwalk, O.
Rev. L. P. Rose, Indianapolis.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

Rev. A. E. Dunning, Publication Soc., Boston
Rev. John A. Hamilton, Education Soc., Boston.
Rev. A. W. Lampart, M. E. Church, Fort Wayne.

Rev. D. W. Moffatt, D. D., First Pres. Church, Fort Wayne.

Rev. W. H. McFarland, Second Pres. Church, Fort Wayne.

Rev. J. D. Thorp, Simpson M. E. Church, Fort Wayne.

Rev. S. A. Northrop, Baptist Church, Fort Wayne.

Rev. W. K. Dennis, Baptist Church, Fort Wayne.

Rev. J. K. Green, D. D., Turkish Mission.

Rev. C. H. Taintor, Cong. Union.

Rev. G. P. Slade, Fort Wayne.

Rev. E. J. Alden, Chicago.

Rev. Simeon Gilbert, D. D., Chicago.

Rev. C. W. Crite, Salem Reformed.

COMMITTEES.

The following committees were appointed by the Moderator:

On Business—Rev. E. A. Hazeltine, Rev. L. P. Rose, Del. L. F. Perdue.

On Finance—Rev. O. C. McCulloch, Rev. Robt. McCune.

On Programme for Next Meeting—Rev. M. W. Darling, Mr. L. F. Perdue, Rev. Robt. McCune.

The Business Committee reported that the order of business for Thursday conform to the order in the printed programme.

The Treasurer, Rev. N. A. Hyde, read his report, showing a deficit in the treasury of $28.86. The report was referred to the Finance Committee.

The time having now arrived for the meeting of the State Home Missionary Society, the Association, on motion of Rev. O. C. McCulloch, took a recess till 2 o'clock.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

Association convened at 2 o'clock, and was opened with prayer by Rev. O. C. McCulloch.

On motion of Rev. Robert McCune, Elkhart was selected as the place for the next meeting of the Association.

REPORTS FROM CHURCHES.

The scribes of the District Associations not being prepared to read written reports on the condition of the churches, brief verbal statements were made by the following pastors and delegates present: W. W. Ferry, of Angola; A. P. Kent, of Elkhart; Rev. E. A. Hazeltine, of Fort Wayne; C. J. Dewey, of Fremont; Charles Sherwood, of Hebron; Rev. E. A. Smith, of Michigan City; Rev. J. R. Preston, of Ontario; Rev. O. C. McCulloch, of Plymouth Church, Indianapolis; Rev. N. A. Hyde, of Mayflower Church, Indianapolis. Rev. L. P. Rose reported for several of the churches not represented.

A paper was read by Rev. E. A. Hazeltine on the question "How to win and keep young people." A discussion followed, participated in by Revs. J. R. Preston and O. C. McCulloch.

On motion of Rev. M. W. Darling a short recess was taken till 4 o'clock.

After recess A. P. Kent read a paper on the "Unchurched Masses." The subject was discussed with much spirit by Rev. O. C. McCulloch, Rev. N. A. Hyde, Rev. J. M. Seymour, Rev. J. Leonard Corning, Rev. J. K. Green, D. D., Rev. Robert McCune, and L. F. Perdue.

Adjourned till 7:30 o'clock.

THURSDAY EVENING.

In the evening the Association listened to representatives of our benevolent societies.

Rev. C. H. Taintor spoke in behalf of the Congregational Union, Mrs. M. B. Norton read a paper in behalf of Home Missions, and Rev. J. K. Green, D. D., made an address upon missionary work in the Turkish Empire.

The Association then adjourned to the house of John Gilbert, where the remainder of the evening was spent in a delightful social reunion.

FRIDAY MORNING.

Association engaged in devotional exercises led by Rev. Robert McCune.

At 9 o'clock the morning session was opened with prayer by Rev. Dr. Moffatt, of Fort Wayne.

Rev. N. A. Hyde read a paper on "The Ministry for the Times." A discussion followed in which Rev. Jno. A. Hamilton, Rev. Dr. Green, Rev. Dr. Moffatt and Edward H. Smith participated.

Took a recess for ten minutes. At 11 o'clock Rev. Edward H. Smith read a paper on the "Relations of the Children to the Church." The subject was discussed by Rev. Rob't McCune, Rev. O. C. McCulloch, Rev. M. W. Darling, Rev. A. E. Dunning and L. F. Perdue.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

The session was opened with prayer by Rev. Simeon Gilbert, D. D.

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THE PASTORATE.

The committee on the memorial of the National Council reported, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That, in the judgment of this body, the term "acting pastor," and its abbreviation, "a. p.," ought to be dropped from our nomenclature and statistics; that all ministers in regular connection with some association or conference of our churches or ministers, who have accepted calls to the pastorate given by formal vote of our churches, be enrolled as pastors; and that all others be enrolled with their appropriate designations.

E. A. HAZELTINE,
L. P. ROSE,
L. F. PERDUE, *Committee.*

The following persons were appointed a committee on programme: Rev. M. W. Darling, Mr. L. F. Perdue and Rev. Rob't McCune.

The programme committee to which was referred the selection of the preacher of the opening sermon for the next annual meeting reported recommending Rev. N. A. Hyde and Rev. James Hayes as alternate. Report adopted.

REPORTS FROM CHURCHES.

The reports on the condition of the churches were again taken up.

Rev. L. P. Rose made brief statements respecting the churches at Lanesville, Liber, Solsberry and Westchester.

Rev. Marshall W. Diggs reported for the church at Pisgah;

Rev. Robert McCune for Kokomo;

Rev. L. F. Perdue for Terre Haute;

Rev. James Hayes for West and South Vigo and Macksville;

Rev. Jared R. Preston for Orland.

Adjourned till 7:30 P. M.

FRIDAY EVENING.

This closing meeting of the Association was devoted to addresses by representatives of our benevolent societies.

Rev. John A. Hamilton spoke in behalf of the American College and Education Society.

Miss Minot, of Tennessee, followed with an account of her work in connection with the Woman's Missionary Association.

Rev. A. E. Dunning presented the work of the Congregational Sabbath School Society.

On motion of Rev. M. W. Darling, the thanks of the Association were presented to the friends in Fort Wayne for their generous hospitality.

Adjourned to meet at Elkhart, May 12, 1886.

EDWARD H. SMITH, *Moderator.*

[ATTEST:] W. R. ELDER, *Scribe.*

N. A HYDE, *Secretary.*

HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF INDIANA.

FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The fifth annual meeting of the Home Missionary Society of Indiana was held with the Plymouth Church, of Fort Wayne, Thursday, May 14, 1885, at 10 o'clock A. M., Rev. N. A. Hyde, President, in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the President.

Dr. W. R. Elder, of Terre Haute, was chosen Scribe.

The State Secretary, Rev. L. P. Rose, read the minutes of the last annual meeting, which were approved.

The report of the doings of the Executive Committee was read by the Secretary, Rev. L. P. Rose.

A general discussion on our missionary work in the State followed, in which Dr. Green, Rev. J. M. Seymour, A. P. Kent and others participated.

The report of the Executive Committee was then referred to a special committee, consisting of Rev. E. H. Smith, Rev. O. C. McCulloch, Rev. James Hayes, and Delegates John Scott and Dr. W. B. Knapp.

The President then declared a recess of five minutes.

After recess a paper was read by L. F. Perdue, on "The needs of the work."

A discussion followed, in which Rev. N. A. Hyde, Rev. Robert McCune and others participated.

Adjourned till Friday, 2 o'clock P. M.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

The special committee, to which was referred the report of the Executive Committee, reported in favor of the recommendations of the Executive Committee, which were as follows:

1. That we urge upon the ladies of the churches the organization of Woman's Home Missionary Societies; or, that at least one-half of the money raised by them in existing Missionary Societies be applied to home work.

2. That the stronger churches take the responsibility of the support of some missionary. Where the amount is too large for one church, that two or three churches join in such support, and that the missionary be requested to report quarterly to such church or churches as assume his support.

3. That some systematic plan of contributing to the A. H. M. S. be recommended to all the churches.

4. That the Executive Committee have power to fill any vacancies that may hereafter occur in their body.

On motion of Hazeltine the report of the Special Committee was adopted.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Rev. C. S. Warburton was re-elected Treasurer.

Rev. Robert McCune, Rev. Edward H. Smith and Dr. W. R. Elder were elected members of the Executive Committee.

Rev. N. A. Hyde and Rev. L. P. Rose were elected delegates to the annual meeting of the American Home Missionary Society, to be held at Saratoga, June 2–5, 1885.

Rev. E. J. Alden made some remarks in relation to the Congregational Book Establishment in Chicago.

The minutes of the meeting were read and adopted.

On motion the Society adjourned.

W. R. ELDER, *Scribe.*

FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

OF THE

HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF INDIANA.

REV. L. P. ROSE, SECRETARY.

AIDED CHURCHES.

Eight missionaries have been commissioned in the state during the year. Three have served the entire time. Two removed from the state after a service of four or five months respectively, and two were commissioned for six months each, making in the aggregate about five years labor performed, at a cost to the Society of $1066.70. The average salary to missionaries in the state is $447.50 per annum. The commissions of all but one have expired; only three are now laboring in their old fields.

Fifteen churches and two out stations have been supplied in part by commissioned men. Three of the churches have been without stated preaching at least half the time. Generally Christian work declines with an empty pulpit. All except three have good houses of worship; thirteen maintain healthy Sabbath-Schools; four have been greatly refreshed by the Holy Spirit, and ten report fifty-three conversions. These churches have received 115 members during the year, ninety-seven by profession and eighteen by letter, including the new organization at Mauckport. With a resident membership of 430, they have contributed $142.25 to the A. H. M. S.

UNAIDED WEAK CHURCHES.

Nine churches, with a resident membership of 246, have added 52 to their number—50 by profession—and they report 22 conversions. All but two have houses of worship, and eight maintain Sabbath-Schools. The Master seems to approve and bless the labors of those who, at His command, "go out into the highways and hedges and compel them to

come in." Openings for new organizations present themselves at some of the five out stations where these messengers carry the Gospel. Some of the weak churches, in this class, have received aid in former years, but on account of limited means, where missionaries have left and the church would not be imperiled, or reasonable hopes of growth were not apparent, we have utilized local helps and the Superintendent has supplied in person, as often as possible, rather than encourage calling another missionary at once. This calls out lay work and stimulates self-reliance.

Your committee being compelled to exercise the strictest economy have supplied twenty-four churches and seven out stations by using the general missionary, local helps, and the few missionaries employed, at an outlay of missionary funds of less than $2,500, and an expense to the churches and stations served an average of less than $80.00 each! *Surely, Indiana has almost a free Gospel!*

SELF-SUSTAINING CHURCHES.

Eight churches employ a resident pastor, and all are at present supplied with efficient men. The churches of Fort Wayne and Terre Haute were left vacant, soon after the last report, by the resignation and removal from the State of Bros. Seymour and Croft, which also caused two vacancies in the Executive Committee. Fort Wayne has been supplied by calling, in September, Rev. E. A. Hazeltine. About the middle of December Terre Haute started out afresh with a new pastor, Rev. J. Leonard Corning, and a very fine new pipe organ.

Plymouth church, Indianapolis, has furnished their new edifice with the largest pipe organ in the State. Michigan City has cleared their church property from debt, which is both artistic and substantial. Orland, having housed their pastor in a beautiful parsonage, and now paying for one service each Sabbath, is added to this class, making one more than reported last year. The resident membership of these churches is 1,029, and their contributions to the A. H. M. S., $306.40. One hundred and three new members have been added to these churches during the year.

DEPLETED CHURCHES.

Four churches carried on our rolls, viz:—Cincinnati, Peru, Pleasant Lake, and Pleasant Grove—are so reduced that they maintain no public services. It is a question whether they can be resuscitated. A letter was granted, at their request, to the Marshall Church to unite with an association in Illinois.

PROGRESS.

A church, with thirty-two members, has been organized at Mauckport, on the Ohio river, through the labors of Missionary Trueblood, entering into covenant and the fellowship of the churches as fully as possible without a Council, which it has not yet seemed practicable to call.

This is the fourth church organized in Harrison county, under the labors of Mr. Trueblood, within that number of years.

Beechwood Church expects to dedicate their meeting house, the second in the county, next month, with every bill paid, except the $300 received from the Congregational Union, without asking for a cent on the day of dedication.

Hebron has beautified their house of worship with paint, paper, curtains, chairs, etc.

All the church buildings in the State are in good condition—none burdened with debt; almost all report additions and active church work.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

At our last annual meeting we practically pledged to raise during the year $625. Assessments were made on the several churches to secure this sum. The contributions actually made amounted to $497.23, which was $127.77 less than our pledge.

In looking for this deficit, we find the fifteen aided churches come short of their assessment only $2.65; the nine unaided weak churches, $14.42; the eight self-sustaining churches, $38.60. Several of the weak churches overpaid their assessment; but this can not be said of any of the self-sustaining churches.

Having urged the Executive Committee at New York to grant us a larger apportionment, upon the basis of larger contributions pledged by the churches, we have worked by circular letters, personal appeal, and missionary boxes placed in the hands of children as collectors, to redeem our pledge. Eighty-six children are now engaged in twenty churches, making their weekly collections. Nine of the eleven churches where the system was first introduced in October, have each contributed an excess over their apportionment, aggregating $24.19, showing how easily the money can be raised if the churches will give us the willing services of the children. The liberality of our churches can not be questioned. The channel through which their benevolence shall flow is of great importance. Where interest is excited the response is prompt and generous, as the noble results of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies fully evince.

We find these auxiliaries to the Foreign Board organized in five churches, with credited pledges and collections which, in the aggregate, amount to $410.67. The same five churches pay into the treasury of the A. H. M. S. $232.36.

Only one church in the State has a Woman's Home Missionary Society, and that church reports $120.80 collected for Foreign Missions, and $10 for Home Missions.

In every church but one the proceeds from societies for foreign work far exceed the contributions of the church for languishing home work. Why this discrimination? Our imperiled Christian civilization and

religious institutions are staggering before an invading foe! Foreign paganism and agnosticism have marshaled their hosts on our own soil.

Within the borders of our own state are full grown natives—voters—who have never heard a Gospel sermon—more dangerous and more easily reached than the foreign heathen. Of nine cities with a population of 10,000 or more inhabitants, six have no Congregational church. Some of these centers of population are fast becoming the strongholds of whisky rings and dynamite desperadoes, for the overthrow of which we have our share of responsibility.

We also have within our state a type of the old South and the new South; the old, ignorant, dogmatic and sectional; the new, progressive, liberal, and loyal; the one stolid and indifferent, the other active and enterprising; the one satisfied to wear the shackels of ecclesiastical despotism, the other chafing under its galling oppression. One third of our state has a large number of this New South element, who are looking for a church that will encourage independent thought, social refinement and Christian equality. Hence they are quick to embrace the Congregational idea, new to them, yet satisfying to all their religious aspirations. Inquiries and applications for help and church organization are constantly coming in from our southern frontier.

In behalf of this important new feature of our work, in behalf of these growing cities where we should begin to take root without delay, and in behalf of the destitute regions where semi-heathenism prevails, we implore liberal contributions and consecrated work.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

That greater interest may be enlisted in the Home Missionary cause and more efficient work accomplished, we would respectfully submit for the consideration of a special committee, the following recommendations, and that they be requested to report to an adjourned meeting of this Society before the close of the present meeting of the Association.

1. To urge upon the ladies of the churches the organization of Woman's Home Missionary Societies; or that, at least one-half the money raised by them in existing missionary societies be applied to home work.

2. That the stronger churches take the responsibility of the support of some missionary. Where the amount is too large for one church, we recommend that two or three churches join in such support and that the missionary be requested to report quarterly to such church or churches as assume his support.

3. That some systematic plan of contributing to the A. H. M. S. be recommended to all the churches.

4. That the Executive Committee have power to fill any vacancies that may hereafter occur in this body.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. This Society shall be called the "Home Missionary Society of Indiana."

ART. II. The object of this organization shall be to promote the interests of the Congregational Churches of the State, especially by securing their more efficient co-operation in home missionary work.

ART. III. Any minister or delegate holding connection with the State Association shall be considered a member of this Society.

ART. IV. The officers of this Society shall be a President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The president shall be elected by ballot for the term of two years; the State missionary shall be, *ex officio*, Secretary of the Society, and the Treasurer shall be elected annually, *viva voce*.

PRESIDENT.

ART. V. The President shall preside at all the meetings of the Society; shall act as President of the Executive Committee, hereinafter provided for, and perform other duties incident to that office.

SECRETARY.

ART. VI. The Secretary shall keep a record of all the proceedings of the Society and Executive Committee, of all the applications of churches for aid, of the name and date of commission of all the missionaries of the State and the amount granted each, and of the contributions of the churches to the A. H. M. S., as reported to him from time to time.

TREASURER.

ART. VII. The Treasurer shall receive and disburse all the funds of the Society, under the direction of the Executive Committee, and make a report of the same to the Society at their annual meetings.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

ART. VIII. The Society shall elect annually three from their number, who, with the President, Secretary, and Treasurer, shall constitute an Executive Committee to whom all applications for aid to churches shall be submitted for their approval. This committee shall have supervision of all the missionary work in this State; it shall look especially after the interests of pastorless churches, furnishing them temporary supplies, and helping them to a permanent ministry whenever practicable. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to meet at least once a quarter for consultation in planning the work of the State Missionary, in acting upon applications for aid, and doing such other business as the best interests of missions in the State require. They shall also, by their

Secretary, report to the Society at its annual meetings all their proceedings for approval.

ART. IX. This constitution may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of the Society by a two-thirds vote of all the members present.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

N. A. Hyde,

In Account with the General Association of Indiana.

1884.	DR.	
October—To receipts:		
	Church at Westchester	$1 00
	Church at Liber	1 25
	Church at Orland	2 50
	Church at East Gilead	1 05
May, 1885:		
	Plymouth Church, Indianapolis	10 00
	Mayflower Church, Indianapolis	10 00
	Church at Terre Haute	25 84
	Church at Elkhart	8 60
	Church at South Vigo	1 50
	Church at West Vigo	1 00
June, 1885:		
	Church at Ontario	1 28
	Church at Orland	2 72
	Church at Michigan City	9 60
	Total	$76 34
May, 1885:	CR.	
	By balance due Treasurer	$34 66
	Three hundred Minutes	34 00
	Postage on Minutes, etc.	1 50
	Treasurer of National Council, in part	6 18
		$76 34

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

Churches.	Organized	Ministers.	Ordained	Commenced	Members, May 1, 1885.				Additions.			Removals.				Baptisms.		Sunday Schools	Families	Contributions.						Home Expenditures
					Male	Female	Total	Absent	Profession	Letter	Total	Death	Dismiss'ns	Discipline	Total	Adults	Infants			Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Ch. B'ild'g	Freedmen	Other Causes.	Total	
Angola	1869	Vacant			4	22	26		0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	30	$7 69	0	0	0	0	$7 69	$200
Andrews	1883	Vacant			3	9	12	3	1	2	3	0	3	0	3	1	0	50	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	129
Beachwood [1]	1884	Jasper Trueblood	1878	1884	4	6	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,000
Bremen	1874	Vacant			9	24	33	8	0	0	0	0	11	0	11	0	0	30	15	16 30	0	$3 00			19 30	322
Cardonia	1879	J. A. Thomas		1885	19	35	54	12	16	1	17	0	3	0	3	2	4	200	100	12 83	0		0	0	12 83	150
Cedarwood	1881	Jasper Trueblood	1878	1882	21	18	39	3	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	20	4 50	0	0	0	0	4 50	15
Central	1881	Jasper Trueblood	1878	1881	24	28	52	11	19	0	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	45	16	8 50	0	0	0	0	8 50	40
Center Union [2]	1882	Vacant			6	9	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	15	4 25	0	0	0	0	4 25	
Elkhart	1869	M. W. Darling	1878	1879	35	90	125	15	6	3	9	1	1	0	2	0	0	165	350	50	$43	124 00	$15	$73	305 00	1,345
Ft. Wayne, Plymouth	1870	Ed. A. Hazeltine	1879	1884	43	89	132	15	12	3	15	1	5	0	6	2	2	200	30	16 00	49	0	12	10	87 00	1,580
Fremont	1874	J. R. Preston	1865	1885	5	20	25	4	0	0	0	0	3	1	4	0	0	50	35	8 25	0	7 50	0	0	15 75	175
Hebron	1882	D. W. Andrews	1877	1885	11	26	37	4	0	1	1	1	6	4	11	0	0	30	28	21 65	0	0	0	0	21 65	365
Hart Township [3]	1856	Lewis Wilson	1849	1857	7	7	14	9	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	60		2 50	0	0	0	0	2 50	
Ind'polis, Mayflower	1869	N. A. Hyde	1858	1872	51	106	157	29	10	4	14	3	6	2	11	6	3	175	100	50 00	149	16 00	0	50	265 00	1,430
" Plymouth	1857	O. C. McCulloch	1870	1877	71	154	225	49	25	29	54	0	0	0	0	0	6	125	250	20 00	0	20 00	0	500	540 00	5,500
Jamestown [4]	1872	J. R. Preston	1865	1885	9	9	18	0	0	3	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	60	18	10 00	0	4 00	0	0	14 00	375
Kokomo	1863	Robert McCune	1848	1881	35	89	124	0	5	0	5	1	3	0	4			115	75	35 00	20	20 00	0		75 00	1,800

Lanesville	1876	Vacant	.....	.....	10	5	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	6	0	0	0	15	1 00	0	0	0	0	1 00	.....
Liber	1854	Vacant	.....	.....	19	25	44	8	6	1	7	0	0	0	0	2	1	120	40	15 90	0	0	0	0	15 90	$80
Macksville	1885	James Hayes	1879	1885	3	6	9	0	3	6	9	0	0	0	0	.....	.....	75	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	150
Mauckport	1885	Jasper Trueblood	1878	1885	14	18	32	0	30	2	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	.....	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	.....
Montgomery[5]	1852	Lewis Wilson	1849	1856	12	16	28	0	4	0	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Michigan City	1835	E. H. Smith	1869	1880	41	86	127	31	12	2	14	1	6	23	30	2	2	200	50	60 00	$94	18 00	44	40	256 00	5,257
Ontario	1840	J. R. Preston	1865	1884	10	31	41	5	11	4	15	0	0	0	0	4	0	70	15	5 00	0	0	0	0	5 00	170
Orland	1836	J. R. Preston	1865	1883	13	45	58	8	1	0	1	1	5	0	6	0	0	60	30	35 00	0	0	0	0	35 00	1,200
Peru	1877	Vacant	.....	.....	10	15	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Grove[6]	1855	Levin Wilson	1849	1855	1	4	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Solsberry	1868	Vacant	.....	.....	36	47	83	19	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	3	135	18	8 00	0	0	0	0	8 00	.....
Terre Haute	1834	J. L. Corning	.....	1885	73	246	319	.....	1	3	4	1	7	0	8	1	6	300	110	65 00	130	29 00	0	90	314 00	6,300
Vigo South[7]	1854	James Hayes	1879	1885	20	27	47	4	15	2	17	0	1	2	3	11	1	50	22	7 00	0	0	0	0	7 00	175
Vigo West[7]	1849	James Hayes	1879	1885	5	17	22	4	0	2	2	2	3	0	5	0	1	40	15	5 00	0	0	0	0	5 00	395
Westchester	1861	Vacant	.....	.....	7	10	17	0	4	2	6	2	0	0	2	1	0	50	25	11 62	0	0	0	0	11 62	75
Thirty-two Churches.					730	1240	1970	241	184	70	254	18	66	38	122	32	29	2505	1553	$480 99	$485	$241 50	$71	$763	$2041 49	$28,248
CHURCHES IN OTHER STATES CONNECTED WITH THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF INDIANA.																										
East Gilead, Mich	1865	Vacant	.....	.....	12	15	27	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	25	$14 85	0	0	0	0	$14 85	$125
Olive, Ill[8]	1879	P. W. Wallace	1860	1878	11	17	28	8	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	60	30	10 25	0	0	0	0	10 25	75
Pisgah[9]	1854	M. W. Diggs	1857	1857	20	20	40	3	3	1	4	0	0	0	0	1	1	70	15	15 00	0	0	0	0	15 00	650
Ridge[10]	1870	P. W. Wallace	1860	1881	10	13	23	7	0	0	0	1	0	2	3	1	1	40	20	6 50	0	0	0	$47 65	54 15	58
					53	65	118	23	5	1	6	1	0	2	3	3	2	230	90	$46 60	0	0	0	$47 65	$94 25	$908

[1] Amsterdam, Harrison Co., P. O. [2] Oakland City P. O. [3] Eby, Warrick Co., P. O. [4] Crooked Creek P. O. [5] Oakland City P. O. [6] Cynthiana, Posey Co., P. O. [7] Macksville, Vigo Co., P. O. [8] Albion P. O. [9] Fort Recovery P. O. [10] Grayville P. O. OTHER MINISTERS.—W. W. Goodman, West Vigo; Luman P. Rose, Charles S. Warburton, Indianapolis; T. B. McCormick, Princeton Ill.; J. M. Seymour, Norwalk, Ohio.

DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

[Four Churches in other States, one in Michigan, one in Ohio, and two in Illinois, belong to Associations in Indiana.]

NORTHERN ASSOCIATION.

CHURCHES.	Value of House of Worship	Date of Erection	Value of Parsonage	Indebtedness	Salary of Minister including use of Par.	Clerk of Church.	Superintendent of Sunday-school
Andrews	0	.....	0	0	$300	Thos. Newham	.....
Angola	$5,000	1871	0	0	700	Mrs. O. Carver	.....
Bremen	1,800	1880	0	0	500	Moses Keyser	H. J. Macomber.
Elkhart	10,000	1872	0	0	1,200	A. P. Kent	A. P. Kent.
East Gilead, Mich.	1,260	1881	0	0	175	W T Ammerman	.....
Ft. Wayne, Plym.	3,500	1871	0	0	1,000	W. S. Buck	Samuel Kimball
Fremont	2,000	1879	0	$300	150	Charles Dewey	.....
Hebron	1,250	1877	0	0	500	Hiram Marsh	Wm. Watt.
Jamestown	2,500	1879	0	45	100	L. P. Persing	L. P. Persing.
Michigan City	20,000	1881	$3,500	.....	1,500	W. R. Corbin	H. W. Darling.
Ontario	2,000	1840	0	35	100	J. G. Scott	J. G. Scott.
Orland	2,000	1852	1,400	250	450	David B. West	J. P. Jadwin.
	51,310		4,900	630	7,075		

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Beech Wood	1,000	1885	0	0	100	D. W. Youtsler	.....
Cardonia	1,200	1880	0	0	100	Henry Price	Edward Wilton.
Cedar Wood	.....	.....	0	0	80	Wm. Denbo	Wm. Denbo.
Central	1,100	1883	0	0	120	J. H. Lohmeyer.	Benj. Pearson.
Ind'apolis, Plym.	60,000	1884	0	29,000	3,500	S. P. Porter	Jesse H. Brown.
Ind'apolis, Mayfl.	10,000	1868	0	0	1,000	Dr. W. S. Rawls.	John P. Scott.
Kokomo	9,000	.....	1,500	0	1,400	Wm. P. Vaile	Willard Hurd.
Lanesville	0	.....	0	0	0	Wm. Thomas	.....
Liber	600	1857	0	0	75	Benj. L. Weber	T. J. Bockoven.
Mackville	.....	.....	0	0	175	Rev. J. Hayes	—— Harris.
Mauckport	0	.....	0	0	100	B. F. Rissler	.....
Peru	6,000	....	0	4,000	0	Aaron Dukes	.....
Pisgah, Ohio	2,500	1884	0	0	500	G. W. Krenning.	E. F. Hastings.
Solsberry	1,500	1866	0	0	.....	H. M. Elliott	P. Low, ass't.
Terre Haute, First	35,000	1859	0	0	2,000	Jos. H. Foote	Geo. P. Brown.
Vigo, South	1,000	1854	0	0	200	Robert Smith	M K. Casady.
Vigo, West	600	1855	0	0	178	M. T. Goodman	J B. Goodman.
Westchester	500	1861	0	0	75	Sam'l Gierhart	Lewis Metzner.
	129,800		1,500	33,000	9,580		

EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN INDIANA.

Center Union	0	.....	0	0	0	A. Faries	.....
Hart Township	600	.....	0	0	0	C. C. Caswell	.....
Montgomery	0	.....	0	0	.....	Wm McCullough	.....
Ridge, Illinois	450	1860	0	0	58	R. A. Curtis	Wm. Curtis.
Pleasant Grove	0	.....	0	0	0	Rev. L. Wilson	.....
Olive, Illinois	1,000	1878	0	0	50	James Green	.....
	2,050		.....	.....	108		
Grand Total	183,160		6,400	33,630	16,763		
Deduct Churches of other States.	5,210		0	0	783		
Total for Indiana	177,950		6,400	33,630	15,980		

EXPLANATION.—In this table the Churches aided by the Home Missionary Society include in report of salary the amount of aid received.

When two or more Churches unite in the support of one minister each reports its share of the salary, including its proportion of missionary aid.

MINISTERS,

AND THEIR POST OFFICE ADDRESSES.

Andrews, D. W, Hebron.

Corning, J. Leonard, Terre Haute.

Darling, Marcellus W., Elkhart.

Diggs, Marshall W., Fort Recovery, Mercer county, Ohio.

Goodman, William W., Macksville, Vigo county.

Greene, Caleb, Oakland City, Gibson county.

Hayes, James, Macksville, Vigo county.

Hazeltine, Edwin A., Fort Wayne.

Hyde, Nathaniel A., Indianapolis.

McCormick, T. B., Princeton, Gibson county.

McCulloch, Oscar C., Indianapolis.

McCune, Robert, Kokomo.

Perkins, Saywell, Grayville, White county, Illinois.

Preston, J. R., Orland, Steuben county.

Rose, Luman P., Indianapolis.

Seymour, Joel M., Presbyterian Church, Norwalk, Ohio.

Smith, Edward H., Michigan City.

Thomas, John A., Cardonia, Clay county.

Trueblood, Jasper, Mauckport, Harrison county.

Warburton, Charles S., Indianapolis.

Wilson, Levin, Cynthiana, Posey county.

Wilson, Lewis, Oakland City, Gibson county.

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS

This summary does not include the returns of churches in other States that are connected with Associations in Indiana.

CHURCHES—23 with acting pastors; 9 vacant. Total, 32.

MINISTERS—14 acting pastors; 8 others. Total, 22.

CHURCH MEMBERS—730 males; 1,240 females. Total, 1,970, including 241 absent.

ADDITIONS IN 1884-'85—184 by profession: 70 by letter. Total, 254.

REMOVALS IN 1884-'85—18 by death; 66 by dismission; 38 by discipline. Total, 122.

BAPTISMS IN 1884-'85—32 adults; 29 infants.

IN SABBATH-SCHOOLS—2,505.

FAMILIES—1,478.

BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS—

Home Missions	$480 99
Foreign Missions	485 00
Church Building	241 50
Freedmen	71 00
Other causes	763 00
Total	$2,041 49

VALUE of church property—$177,950.

VALUE of Parsonages (3)—$6,400.

INDEBTEDNESS—$33,630.

SALARIES—$15,930.

HOME EXPENDITURES—$28,248.

CHANGES—Churches added, 3; dropped from list, 2.

MINISTERS—Ordinations, 0; installations, 0.

DEATHS—1, Ebenezer Tucker, Union City.

ORGANIZATION—Three Associations of Churches. The churches are also united in a general Association, which includes two Illinois churches, viz: Olive and Ridge, and one Ohio church, Pisgah; one Michigan church, East Gilead.

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-AND-

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HELD WITH THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, AT ELKHART,
MAY 12-14, 1886,

TOGETHER WITH THE REPORT OF THE SIXTH ANNUAL
MEETING OF THE HOME MISSIONARY
SOCIETY OF INDIANA.

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OFFICERS OF ASSOCIATION.

MODERATOR,

Rev. NATHANIEL A. HYDE, - - - - - Indianapolis.

SCRIBE,

Dr. W. B. KNAPP, - - - - - - - Fort Wayne.

SECRETARY AND TREASURER,

Rev. N. A. HYDE, - - - - - - - Indianapolis.

The next annual meeting will be held at Kokomo, commencing Wednesday, May 11, 1887, at 7:30 P. M.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. This Association shall be called "The General Association of the Congregational Churches and Ministers of Indiana."

ART. II. This Association shall not exercise any judicial authority over the ministers and churches belonging to it, but its object shall be to promote Christian love and fellowship among its members; to obtain and disseminate religious information relative to the churches throughout our State, our country, and the world, and to strive together, in prayers and counsels and faithful efforts, to advance the cause of truth and holiness.

ART. III. It shall hold annual meetings; and Evangelical churches of the Congregational order may each be represented by its pastor and three delegates, and any minister shall be entitled to a seat in this body, provided that such churches or ministers shall have first joined the District Association within whose bounds they are located.

ART. IV. At least one sermon shall be preached at each annual meeting, and the preacher shall be appointed at the previous meeting.

ART. V. At each annual meeting each church is expected to furnish, by its pastor, delegates, or otherwise, a written statistical report of the number of members, male and female; additions during the last year, by profession and by letter; removals, by dismissal, death or excommunication; baptisms, adult or infant; Sabbath-school teachers and scholars; contributions to benevolent objects.

ART. VI. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator and Scribe, elected annually by ballot, and a Secretary, elected triennially by ballot, who shall be, *ex officio*, the Treasurer of the Association.

ART. VII. It shall be the duty of the Scribe to keep full and accurate minutes of the transactions of the Association, and, after they have been adopted, to place them in the hands of the Secretary.

ART. VIII. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to give due notice, through the public papers, of the time and place of each meeting; to read the Rules of the Association at the opening session; carefully to record such parts of the minutes of each meeting as may not be printed; to receive statistical reports from the churches, and prepare the same

for publication; to send a notice to all the Scribes of local Associations, not more than three months or less than one month before the annual meeting of the State Association, that they are expected to present a written report to the meeting of the state of religion within their bounds; to receive and distribute publications presented to the Association, and to preserve for the Association all communications addressed to it. As Treasurer, he shall have charge of all moneys belonging to the Association, and shall disburse the same as the Association shall direct. He shall, annually, present a report of the state of the treasury, and also state the sum, in his opinion, necessary to be raised for the ensuing year.

ART. IX. Five members will be requisite to form a quorum for the transaction of business; but for opening and adjourning the meeting a less number shall be competent.

ART. X. The annual meeting of this Association shall be held on the second Wednesday of May, commencing at 7:30 o'clock P. M., and shall remain in session until the ensuing Friday evening.

ART. XI. This constitution may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of the Association by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS.

1. Every daily session shall open with prayer, and close with prayer and benediction.

2. Statistical reports shall be written and filed with the Secretary.

3. Ministers in good standing, connected with other bodies of Evangelical Christians, may be invited to sit as Corresponding Delegates.

4. Delegates presenting themselves for seats in the Association shall present satisfactory evidence that they have authority from the churches to represent the same.

5. Unfinished business shall ordinarily occupy the attention of the Association before new subjects are introduced.

6. Resolutions should be committed to writing, and motions be seconded and repeated by the Moderator, or read aloud, before they are open to debate.

7. Any member personally present at the annual meeting of any corresponding body is authorized to represent this Association in the failure of the regularly appointed delegate, and a copy of this by-law shall be his credentials.

8. An assessment shall be asked by the Secretary from the churches sufficient to provide for printing and circulating the Minutes and other incidental expenses.

MINUTES.

The twenty-eighth annual meeting of the Congregational Churches and Ministers of Indiana was held with the Congregational Church of Elkhart May 12–14, 1886.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

The opening sermon was preached by Rev. N. A. Hyde, of Indianapolis. Rev. J. R. Preston assisted in the services.

Adjourned till Thursday morning.

THURSDAY MORNING.

At 8:30 o'clock the Association engaged in devotional exercises, led by Rev. E. A. Hazeltine.

At 9:30 the Association was called to order by the retiring Moderator, Rev. Edward H Smith, of Michigan City.

ORGANIZATION.

Rev. N. A. Hyde, of Indianapolis, was elected Moderator, and Dr. W. B. Knapp, of Fort Wayne, was chosen Scribe. Prayer was then offered by the Moderator.

The roll of pastors and delegates when completed was as follows:

Bremen—Deacon J. J. Wright, Mrs. J. J. Wright, H. J. Macomber, Delegates.

Elkhart—Rev. M. W. Darling, Pastor; Mrs. M. W. Dar-

ling, A. P. Kent, Mrs. Dr. Thomas, W. H. Quaife, Delegates.

Fort Wayne—Rev. Edward A. Hazeltine, Pastor; Mrs. E. A. Hazeltine, Dea. John Gilbert, Mrs. J. Gilbert, Dr. W. B. Knapp, Deacon B. H. Kimball, Mrs. W. B. Douglass, W. V. Douglass, Mrs. W. V. Douglass.

Fremont—Rev. J. R. Preston, Pastor.

Indianapolis, Mayflower Church—Rev. N. A. Hyde, Pastor; Deacon J. R. Irving, Mrs. T. P. Sanborn, Miss Carrie Bell, Mrs. N. A Hyde, Delegates.

Indianapolis, Plymouth Church—Rev. O. C. McCulloch, Pastor.

Hebron—Rev. D. W. Andrews, Pastor.

Orland—Rev. J. R. Preston, Pastor; M. T. Rose, Mrs. G. K. Wilder, Delegates.

Macksville—Rev. James Hayes, Pastor.

Michigan City—Rev. Edward H. Smith, Pastor.

Ontario—Rev. J. R. Preston, Pastor; J. G. Scott, Delegate.

Terre Haute—Rev. J. L. Corning, Pastor; Prof. L. P. Alden, Mrs. Yates, Miss Eliza B. Warren, Miss Ellen Gilbert, Delegates.

Vigo, South—Rev. James Hayes, Pastor.

Vigo, West—Rev. James Hayes, Pastor.

East Gilead, Mich.—Rev. J. R. Preston, Delegate.

MINISTERIAL MEMBER.

Rev. L. P. Rose, Indianapolis.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

Rev. C. H. Taintor, Cong. Union, Chicago.
Rev. R. B. Howard, Peace Society, Boston.
Rev. Mr. Simpson, M. E. P. Church.
Rev. S. M. Wilcox, Minnesota.
Rev. J. B. Fowler, Elkhart.
Rev. E. J. Alden, Chicago.

Rev. E. K. Alden, D. D., A. B. C. F. M., Boston.

Prof. Loba, Olivet College, Mich.

Rev. J. E. Roy, D. D., Am. M. A., Chicago.

Rev. Charles R. Bliss, N. W. E. C., Chicago.

Rev. Simeon Gilbert, D. D., Cor. Congregationalist, Chicago.

Rev. J. G. Laurie, Presbyterian Church, Elkhart.

Rev. Q. Vradenberg, Baptist Church, Elkhart.

COMMITTEES.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

On Business—Rev. M. W. Darling, Rev. J. R. Preston, Deacon John Gilbert.

On Finance—Rev. O. C. McCulloch, Deacon J. R. Irving.

The Treasurer read his report, showing a balance of $8.00 in the treasury. The report was accepted.

The Business Committee recommended the order of exercises in the printed program, changing the time of Prof. Loba's address to Thursday evening.

REPORTS OF THE CHURCHES.

Verbal reports on the condition of the churches were made by the pastors and delegates present. H. J. Macomber reported for the church at Bremen; W. H. Quaife for the church at Elkhart; Rev. E. A. Hazeltine for the church at Fort Wayne; Rev. J. R. Preston for the church at Fremont; Deacon J. R. Irving for Mayflower Church, Indianapolis; Rev. O. C. McCulloch for the Plymouth Church, Indianapolis; Rev. James Hayes for the church at Macksville; J. G. Scott for the church at Ontario.

A paper was read by Rev. Edward H. Smith, of Michigan City, on "The best method of conducting public worship." He was followed by Rev. O. C. McCulloch, of Indianapolis, who read a paper on the same subject. A general discussion followed these papers, participated in by Revs. C. H. Taintor, J. R. Preston, J. L. Corning, M. W. Darling, N. A. Hyde, Prof. L. P. Alden, Dr. W. B. Knapp, J. G. Scott.

Upon recommendation of the Business Committee the discussion on the question, "What we can do to help our weaker Churches" was postponed till some future time.

Association took a recess till 2 o'clock P. M.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

Association convened at 2 o'clock and immediately adjourned to give place to the State Home Missionary Society. Association reorganized at 4:30 o'clock.

After singing "All hail the power of Jesus' name," Rev. R. B. Howard, Secretary of the American Peace Society, addressed the Association upon the principles and work of the Society he represented. Rev. O. C. McCulloch and Rev. C. H. Taintor followed with remarks upon the same topic.

On motion of Rev. M. W. Darling a committee, consisting of Rev. O. C. McCulloch, Deacon J. R. Irving, Prof. L. P. Alden, was appointed to adopt resolutions expressive of the sentiments of the Association upon the subject introduced by the Secretary of the Peace Society.

After benediction by Rev. C. H. Taintor, the Association took a recess till 7:30 o'clock.

THURSDAY EVENING.

Association met at the appointed hour. After singing by the choir and prayer by Rev. R B. Howard, the Association was addressed by Rev. C. H. Taintor, the Western Secretary of the American Congregational Union, who set forth the work done by that Society in aiding young and feeble churches to erect houses of worship.

Prof. Loba, of Olivet College, then spoke in behalf of

the New West Education Commission, giving from personal knowledge a graphic view of the evils of Mormonism.

After singing and benediction by Rev. E. K. Alden, D. D., the Association adjourned till to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

FRIDAY MORNING.

Association convened at 8:30 o'clock and engaged in devotional exercises, conducted by Rev. J. R. Preston.

Rev. J. L. Corning read a paper on "The working forces of an ideal Church." An animated discussion followed, participated in by Revs. O. C. McCulloch, M. W. Darling, J. E. Roy, Simeon Gilbert, N. A. Hyde, L. P. Rose, E. K. Alden, Bros. W. A. Quaife and H. J. Macomber.

The committee appointed to draft a reolution expressing the sentiments of the Association in reference to the appeal of the American Peace Society made the following report, which was adopted and ordered to be published in the Minutes:

WHEREAS, This Association has listened with great interest and pleasure to the address of Rev. R. B. Howard, Secretary of the American Peace Society, regarding the settlement of difficulties between nations by peaceful arbitration rather than by war.

Resolved, That we heartily endorse the aims and efforts of the society to emphasize more fully the teachings of the Great Master whose mission it was to bring "on earth peace," and to inaugurate that era when the sword shall be beaten into the plowshare, the spear into the pruning hook, and when nations shall learn war no more.

Resolved, That this Association pledges itself to, indorses and encourages every effort to hasten the coming of this happy time by educating the people of all classes among all nations in the principle of settling all private as well as national difficulties by arbitration rather than by lawsuits, strikes and the sword.

OSCAR C. MCCULLOCH.
L. P. ALDEN.
J. R. IRVING.

Association took a recess until 2 o'clock P. M.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

Association assembled at 2 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by M. J. Macomber.

PLACE OF NEXT MEETING.

On motion of Rev. O. C. McCulloch, it was voted that the selection of the place for the next meeting be left to the Executive Committee of the State Missionary Society. The choice of the preacher for the next meeting was referred to the same committee. The appointment of a committee to prepare the programme of the next meeting was also committed to the Executive Committee of the State Missionary Society.

Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., was elected delegate at large to the National Council, to be held at Chicago, October 13, 1886.

Reports on the state of the churches were resumed.

Rev. J. L. Corning and Prof. L. P. Alden spoke for the church at Terre Haute, Rev. James Hayes for the churches at Macksville, South and West Vigo.

Rev. M. W. Darling, chairman of the Sunday-school Committee, read a report on the state of Sunday-schools within the bounds of the Association. The subject elicited a general discussion, participated in by Revs. J. L. Corning, N. A. Hyde, S. M. Wilcox, M. W. Darling, S. Gilbert, J. E. Roy.

Rev. E. J. Alden addressed the Association on the work of Congregational Sunday-school and Publication Society.

After benediction by the Moderator, Association took a recess till evening.

SOCIAL REUNION.

After adjournment the members of the Association and their friends, by invitation, united with the members of the church at Elkhart, and other citizens, in a delightful social

reunion, at the house of W. H. Quaife. Refreshments were served, and the time previous to the evening meeting was made a pleasant occasion for free social converse, enjoyed both by the visiting ministers and delegates and the brethren at Elkhart.

FRIDAY EVENING.

The final session was opened with singing by the choir and prayer by Rev. O. C. McCulloch.

An address was delivered by Rev. J. E. Roy, D. D., on the work of the American Missionary Association among the colored people of the South.

Rev. E. K. Alden, D. D., followed with an address, giving a survey of the great work of the American Board of Foreign Missions in Pagan lands.

Both addresses were listened to with the deepest interest.

The Moderator appointed H. J. Macomber chairman of the State Sunday-school Committee.

Closing remarks were then made by the Moderator, in which hearty thanks were expressed for the generous hospitality enjoyed by the Association in the homes of the good people of Elkhart.

A communication from the Y. M. C. A. of Elkhart was read, extending to the members of the Association an invitation to visit the Art Loan Exhibit in a body. The invitation was acknowledged with thanks.

After singing "Blest be the tie that binds," the Association closed its session with prayer by the Moderator.

NATHANIEL A. HYDE, *Moderator.*
W. B. KNAPP, *Scribe.*

HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF INDIANA.

SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The sixth annual meeting of the Home Missionary Society of Indiana was held with the church at Elkhart Thursday, May 13, 1886, at 2:30 o'clock P. M., Rev. N. A. Hyde in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Rev. E. A. Hazeltine.

Dr. W. B. Knapp, of Fort Wayne, was chosen Scribe.

The minutes of the last annual meeting were read by the Secretary, Rev. L. P. Rose, and approved.

The annual report of the work of the executive committee was read by the Secretary, Rev. L. P. Rose.

A general discussion on our missionary work in the State followed, participated in by Revs. N. A. Hyde, J. R. Preston, E A. Hazeltine, Mrs. G. K. Wilder.

The recommendation of the State Superintendent that evangelistic services be secured for destitute fields and weak churches was referred to the executive committee, it being understood that the churches are to be called upon to make contributions for the expenses of such agencies.

Further discussion on the state of our young and needy churches was engaged in by J. G. Scott, John Gilbert, B. H. Kimball, H. J. Macomber, Mrs. Pinkerton, and N. A. Hyde.

On motion of Rev. J. R. Preston it was voted that a com-

mittee of ladies be appointed to correspond relative to the organization of a woman's home missionary society.

The President appointed as such committee Mrs. G. K. Wilder, of Orland, Miss Eliza B. Warren, of Terre Haute, and Mrs. T. B. Sanborn, of Indianapolis.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

It was voted to unite the office of Treasurer with that of Secretary, and Rev. L. P. Rose was chosen to fill the same.

Rev. Robert McCune, Rev. C. S. Warburton, Dr. W. R. Elder, and Rev. O. C. McCulloch were elected members of the executive committee for the ensuing year.

Rev. N. A Hyde was reelected President.

A recess of five minutes was taken.

Upon reassembling, Rev. J. L. Corning in the chair, the subject of the missionary work to be done in the State was again taken up, and remarks were made by Rev. J. L. Corning, Prof. L. P. Alden and Miss Eliza B. Warren.

On motion the Society adjourned.

W. B. KNAPP, *Scribe.*

SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

OF THE

HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF INDIANA.

REV. L. P. ROSE, Secretary.

RETRENCHMENT.

For more than half the year the committee have labored under an embarrassing admonition from the Secretaries at New York, that the contributions of the Churches were proving unequal to their needs, and that their only relief seemed to be in their ability to reduce the cost of their work. Their letter, giving in detail the crippled condition of the treasury, closed with the following significant paragraph, viz.:

"Hitherto the motto we have been glad to commend to you as our superintendent has been "*Forward!*" But the only wise and honorable motto to-day is "*Reduce!*" Please give this problem of reduction your most earnest consideration."

After a careful reconsideration by the committee of each particular case of Missionaries employed and Churches served, the result of the investigation was embodied in a resolution protesting against any reduction of aid; having uniformly asked for the minimum amount needed, and closing with the following declaration, "In our judgment any further retrenchment would be equivalent to an abandonment of our missionary work in Indiana."

A copy or the resolution was ordered to be included in the answer to the letter from the Secretaries at New York. Upon a further review of the situation it was found that our Churches were practicing upon the motto from New York with the interpretation of *reduce* in contributions! Thus the resources from without and from within seemed to be on a strike, retarding business and demoralizing plans.

A Christian arbitration resulted, unlike a secular conflict between capital and labor, in a mutual agreement that more hours of work for less pay would be satisfactory until times were better. Upon that principle Churches reduced the frequency of their services, ministers

enlarged their fields for a support, and lay preaching was utilized. In one case a Church yielded a much needed weekly service for a service once in two weeks that their minister might earn a living by serving four or five Churches and one out station. The arrangement invovled a journey over the country of nearly forty miles each week, sometimes when the mercury was 20° below zero, and yet he never missed an appointment. That field has been nominally self-sustaining; but the man's strength and his pastoral work did not self-sustain. "There is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty." One Church in a thriving county seat has been supplied part of the year by a layman, whose first fresh energies were employed as teacher in a normal school. Of course growth was not expected. Another is supplied by a superannuated minister unable to do active work.

Thus we have worried through the year, our little force overworked, hardly hoping to do more than "Hold the fort," while the mighty hosts of the enemy are fortifying against us.

MISSIONARIES.

Five Missionaries have been under commission within the year, one serving only six months, at a cost to the Society of $950, and at an average salary of $480. When all were employed they supplied with stated preaching eleven churches and four out-stations. Special meetings have been held with five of these churches with good results. Six report 34 conversions, and eight have received 87 to their communions, 80 by profession. Eight maintain prayer-meetings and all but one have Sunday-schools. All but two have contributed to the A. H. M. S., in the aggregate, $92.98.

This is the smallest Missionary force we have ever had; not because our needs were less, or our desire to nourish the weak and occupy the waste places were waning, but because of the want of money to employ men.

UNAIDED CHURCHES.

Of the sixteen unaided weak churches, Bremen employed students from Chicago Theological Seminary to preach for them once in two weeks during the winter. East Gilead employed a local minister, whose health had failed, Rev. Curtis, to supply them as he was able. Fremont and Ontario secured the services of Rev. J. R. Preston for one sermon each alternate Sabbath. Liber was supplied by a student, Mr. G. H. Gregorian, during last summer's vacation, and have engaged Mr. A. W. Rohland for this summer. Montgomery depends upon the services of Rev. Lewis Wilson, as his strength permits. Olive has recently engaged Rev. Saywell Perkins as a supply. Ridge is recently supplied by Rev. Evan Wiggle. Westchester employs Rev. Fred. Stovenour, and Solsberry was supplied for a few months by Rev. George McKee. The other

six churches have depended upon the General Missionary for what preaching they have had. Almost all, at some portion of the year, have been upon his hands; he has divided among them 47 Sabbath services, 106 sermons, and 16 communion services. All but four of these churches keep up good Sunday schools, with an attendance of 857. They report 48 conversions, 50 additions to the churches, 41 by profession, and $110.83 contributed to the A. H. M. S.

EVANGELISTIC WORK NEEDED.

Our churches suffer for the lack of evangelistic work. The past winter exhibited unmistakable signs of a ripening harvest, but there were not laborers enough to gather it. We have had no extra help during this opportune time. Our small missionary force is not sufficient to meet the demand. The superintendent has not been able to respond to one-half of the urgent appeals from pastorless churches for protracted meetings. Others gather the fruit of our labors at such meetings for the want of a leader and organizer.

We recommend that the stronger churches aid the weaker by contributing a special fund for the committee to expend for evangelistic work according to their judgment. Several of the churches and some outstations have been richly blessed by the reviving and converting power of the Holy Spirit, prominent among which were Westchester, which resulted in the addition of 18 members; Macksville, which brought that infant church from 6 to 20 members; and at Hosmer, in Pike county, where quite a number of converts expressed a desire and gave their names, to become connected with the Congregationalists. The Baptist idea predominates there, and an old organization, without life enough to furnish preaching or Christin workers, was revived. We thought it better that they should cultivate the field, if they would, rather than to encourage a divided interest.

IMPROVEMENTS.

The youngest church in the state, organized at Hobart November 15, has already contributed $8 to the A. H. M. S., and is expending about $300 in remodeling and beautifying an old Tabernacle for a church home. The three youngest churches on our list, two organized this year and one last, started out with ten and six members respectively for church homes, costing in the aggregate $4,000. Two have been completed, furnished and dedicated within the year, without a debt, except a small grant to each by the A. C. U., and the last is nearly ready to dedicate. One is located at Beechwood on the Ohio river, and the other at Macksville on the Wabash, both occupying important positions. Two church buildings have been repaired, and one, at Ft. Recovery, has added to their furniture a fine cabinet organ, and placed a bell in the tower of their church.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

The contributions to the A. H. M. S. this year from the state were $575.19, being $77.96 more than last year, and larger than has been paid in any former year. Since my annual report to the secretaries in New York, March 1, $78.40 have been received, which more than meets the deficiency then existing.

The Ladies' Missionary Society of Mayflower Church, Indianapolis, divided their collections equally between the Home and Foreign Societies; their donation to this Society being $33.75. The Ladies' Society of Terre Haute have also contributed $16. One out-station, Ainsworth, Lake county, contributed $2 by the children's box system. A marked increase is noticed in all the churches where a systematic plan of giving is adopted, however small.

The committee, in asking for an enlarged apportionment, pledged a contribution of $550 for the coming year, subject to the approval of the Society.

In view of our urgent needs and limited means to carry on the work of missions in the state, and gratefully recognizing the response of two Ladies' Societies to the recommendation submitted last year of dividing the funds collected by existing Missionary Societies between the home and foreign work, we would respectfully solicit the prayerful attention of the women in our churches to the vast importance of prompt missionary effort in our country, and urge their more efficient coöperation by the organization of a State Woman's Home Missionary Society, auxiliary to the woman's department of the American Home Missionary Society, with a view to forming auxiliaries in all the churches of the state. To make such an enterprise general and efficient throughout the state, is a process of education, and is well worthy the zeal and faithful endeavor which characterize the women of the churches of Indiana in all their undertakings.

The New Hampshire Woman's Cent Society has contributed over $100,000 to their State Home Missionary work. With such a practical illustration before them, let the women and girls enlist in this grand enterprise of christianizing our beloved state.

In looking through the gloom of a diminished force and inadequate resources, to results, we gratefully recognize the fact that is not by might nor by power that the kingdom of the Lord is propagated so much as through that Divine help by which we are enabled to report in the missionary field alone 82 hopeful conversions, 137 additiens to the churches—121 by profession—two churches organized, three Sunday-schools organized, two substantial houses of worship built and three repaired—making a gain of one church in the state, a gain of 199 resident members, and a gain of 417 members in our Sunday-schools, with the largest contributions to Home Missions ever reported. Let Indiana resume the motto, "forward" in works and faith.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. This Society shall be called the "Home Missionary Society of Indiana."

ART. II. The object of this organization shall be to promote the interests of the Congregational Churches of the State, especially by securing their more efficient co-operation in home missionary work.

ART. III. Any minister or delegate holding connection with the State Association shall be considered a member of this Society.

ART. IV. The officers of this Society shall be a President, Secretary, and treasurer. The President shall be elected by ballot for the term of two years; the State missionary shall be, *ex officio*, Secretary of the Society, and the Treasurer shall be elected annually, *viva voce*.

PRESIDENT.

ART. V. The President shall preside at all the meetings of the Society; shall act as President of the Executive Committee, hereinafter provided for, and perform other duties incident to that office.

SECRETARY.

ART. VI. The Secretary shall keep a record of all the proceedings of the Society and Executive Committee, of all the applications of churches for aid, of the name and date of commission, of all the missionaries of the State and the amount granted each, and of the contributions of the churches to the A. H. M. S., as reported to him from time to time.

TREASURER.

ART. VII. The Treasurer shall receive and disburse all the funds of the Society, under the direction of the Executive Committee, and make a report of the same to the Society at their annual meetings.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

ART. VIII. The Society shall elect annually three from their number, who, with the President, Secretary, and Treasurer, shall constitute an Executive Committee to whom all applications for aid to churches shall be submitted for their approval. This committee shall have supervision of all the missionary work in this State; it shall look especially after the interests of pastorless churches, furnishing them temporary supplies, and helping them to a permanent ministry whenever practicable. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to meet at least once a quarter to consult in regard to the work of the State Missionary, to act upon applications for aid, and to transact such other business as the best interests of missions in the State require. They shall also, by their Secretary, report to the Society at its annual meetings all their proceedings for approval.

ART. IX. This constitution may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of the Society by a two-thirds vote of all the member present.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Rev. M. W. Darling, chairman of Committee on Sunday-schools, presented the following report. It will be noticed that only a part of the schools returned statistics to the committee:

NAME.	Whole Number.	Average attendance.	Benevolent contributions.	Percent. attending public worship.	Added to the church.
1. Cardonia Union	180	150	$15.00	25	..
2. Elkhart	160	103	65.00	20	..
3. Pisgah	80	66	.....	60	4
4. Westchester	72	50	12.00	100	8
5. Terre Haute	278	170	.....	15	4
6. Hebron	50	30	.....	75	..
7. South Vigo	50	40	16.00	...	8
8. Macksville	116	.....	.....	75	3
9. Orland Union	103	65	.....	90	4
10. Olive	60	45	2.00	75	2
11. Ridge	50	35	.....	...	..
12. Solsberry	125	100	.....	100	10
13. Plymouth, Ind'p'ls	140	115	50.00	50	6
14. Ontario	70	50	12.00	50	5
15. Mayflower, Ind'p'ls	200	143	35.00	20	6
16. Ft. Wayne, Plymouth	142	95	14.68	20	..
17. East Gilead	90	70	33.00	50	..
Seventeen schools	1,966	1,327	254.68	35	60

TREASURER'S REPORT.

N. A. Hyde,

In Account with the General Association of Indiana.

1885. DR.

December—To receipts:		
	Church at Fort Wayne	$8 00
May, 1886:	Plymouth Church, Indianapolis	12 32
	Mayflower Church, Indianapolis	9 00
	Michigan City	7 70
	Fort Wayne	6 90
	Bremen	1 00
	Terre Haute	22 33
	Macksville	63
	South Vigo	40
	West Vigo	1 45
	Total	$69 73

May, 1886: CR.

Three hundred Minutes	$34 00
Postage on Notices, Minutes, etc	1 50
Treasurer of National Council	30 78
	$66 28
Balance on hand	3 45
	$69 73

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

CHURCHES.	Organized	MINISTERS.	Ordained	Commenced	Members, May 1, 1886.				Additions.			Removals.			Baptisms.		Sunday Schools.	Families	Contributions.						Home Expenditures
					Male	Female	Total	Absent	Profession	Letter	Total	Death	Dismiss'n.	Discipline	Total	Adults	Infants			Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Ch. Bild'g	Freedmen	Other Causes.	Total	
Andrews	1883	Vacant			3	9	12	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	$7 47	0	0	0	0	$7 47	
Angola	1869	H. B. Knight.	1844	1886	3	18	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	6 00	0	0	0	0	6 00	
Beachwood [1]	1884	Jasper Trueblood	1878	1884	5	7	12	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	15	0	0	0	0	0	$ 75
Bremen	1874	Vacant			9	24	33	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	50	15	10 33	2	$2 19	0	0	12 52	78
Cardonia	1879	Zaccheus Wills		1886	9	17	26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	150	100	17 92	0	2	0	0	19 92	362
Cedarwood	1881	Jasper Trueblood	1878	1882	21	18	39	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	80	20	7 73	0	0	0	10	17 73	10
Center Union [2]	1882	Vacant			6	9	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Central	1881	Jasper Trueblood	1878	1881	27	35	62	0	9	0	9	1	0	0	1	5	0	40	16	12 80	0	0	0	30	42 80	105
Elkhart	1869				37	93	130	15	5	2	7	0	2	0	2	3	10	160	250	31	$52	10 00	0	$175	268 00	1,568
Ft. Wayne, Plymouth	1870	Ed. A. Hazeltine.	1879	1884	37	87	124	26	0	0	0	1	12	2	15	0	2	136	30	31 75	22	0	$13	22	88 75	1,300
Fremont	1874	H. B. Knight.	1844	1886	6	21	27	6	8	0	8	0	2	1	3	3	0	50	35	7 50	0	0	0	0	7 50	110
Hart Township [3]	1856	Lewis Wilson	1849	1857	7	7	14	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60		3 70	0	0	0	0	3 70	
Hebron	1882	D. W. Andrews	1877	1885	10	21	31	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	2	1	0	40	28	5 00	0	0	0	0	5 00	525
Hobart	1885	D. W. Andrews	1877	1885	8	12	20	0	8	4	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	20	8 00	0	0	0	0	8 00	300
Ind'polis, Mayflower	1869	N. A. Hyde	1858	1872	50	118	168	38	8	8	16	1	4	0	5	2	4	175	100	30 00	60	0	0	50	140 00	1,250
" Plymouth	1857	O. C. McCulloch	1870	1877	80	179	259	55	26	18	44	3	7	0	10	1	4	150	250	0	0	20 00	15	300	335 00	7,554
Jamestown [4]	1872	L. Curtis.	1856	1886	9	9	18	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	70	18	6 19	0	4 00	0	0	10 19	100
Kokomo	1863	Robert McCune	1848	1881	34	94	128	23	6	5	11	3	6	0	9			130	75	16 00	20	0	0	0	36 00	1,460

Lanesville	1876	Vacant			10	5	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Liber	1854	Vacant			18	22	40	11	2	0	2	1	0	0	1	1	0	125	40	12 37	0	0	0	0	12 37	49
Macksville	1885	James Hayes	1879	1885	6	14	20	0	14	0	14	0	0	0	0	4	0	100	30	1 00	0	0	0	0	1 00	3,193
Mauckport	1885	Jasper Trueblood	1878	1884	13	18	31		0	0	0	0	1	0	1	5	0		40	2	0	0	0	11	13	68
Michigan City	1835				41	86	127		4	4	8	1	7	0	8	3	3	200	50	62 50	48	0	38	11	159 50	2,000
Montgomery[5]	1852	Lewis Wilson	1849	1856	12	16	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20							
Ontario	1840	J. R. Preston	1865	1884	15	24	39	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	70	15	10 00	0	0	0	0	10 00	300
Orland	1836	J. R. Preston	1865	1883	18	49	67	8	4	1	5	2	1	0	3	3	1	60	30	35 00	26	0	0	0	61 00	650
Peru	1877	Vacant			10	15	25																			
Pleasant Grove[6]	1855	Levin Wilson	1849	1855	1	4	5												3							
Solsberry	1868	Vacant			36	47	93	19	10	0	10	0	0	0	0	4	0	135	30	12 92	0	0	0	0	12 92	50
Terre Haute	1834	J. L. Corning		1885	76	265	341	26	27	10	37	4	10	1	15	15	16	260	150	99 75	149	0	0	386	634 75	4,500
Vigo South[7]	1854	James Hayes	1879	1885	20	27	47	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	22	17 50	0	0	0	0	17 50	245
Vigo West[7]	1849	James Hayes	1879	1885	7	15	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	15	5 10	0	0	0	0	5 10	270
Westchester	1861	F. Stovenour, B'p.	1861	1883	20	32	52	0	18	0	18	1	0	0	1	2	1	60	25	10 44	0	0	0	6 38	16 82	100
Thirty-three Churches					664	1417	2081	264	153	63	216	18	54	4	76	51	43	2241	1497	$470 07	$377	$38 19	$66	1001	$1952 64	$26,217

CHURCHES IN OTHER STATES CONNECTED WITH THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF INDIANA.

East Gilead, Mich.	1865	L. Curtis.	1856	1885	12	15	27	5	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	25	$9 44	0	0	0	0	$9 44	$100
Olive, Ill[8]	1879	Saywell Perkins.	1860	1885	11	17	28	3	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	47	30	6 00	0	0	0	8 00	14 00	100
Pisgah[9]	1854	M. W. Diggs	1857	1857	21	25	46	3	6	0	6	0	2	0	2	0	2	60	25	7 50	0	5	0	0	12 50	537
Ridge[10]	1853	Evan Wiggle		1886	10	13	23	8	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	45	20	14 57	0	0	0	9 20	23 77	35
					54	70	124	19	7	3	10	1	2	0	3	1	3	212	100	$37 51	0	5	0	$17 20	$59 71	$772

[1] Amsterdam, Harrison Co., P. O. [2] Oakland City P. O. [3] Eby, Warrick Co., P. O. [4] Crooked Creek P. O. [5] Oakland City P. O. [6] Cynthiana, Posey Co., P. O. [7] Macksville, Vigo Co., P. O. [8] Albion P. O. [9] Fort Recovery P. O. [10] Grayville P. O. OTHER MINISTERS.—W. W. Goodman, West Vigo; Luman P. Rose, Charles S. Warburton, Indianapolis; T. B. McCormick, Princeton Ind.; J. M. Seymour, Norwalk, Ohio.

DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

[Four Churches in other States, one in Michigan, one in Ohio, and two in Illinois, belong to Associations in Indiana.]

NORTHERN ASSOCIATION.

CHURCHES.	Value of House of Worship	Date of Erection	Value of Parsonage	Indebtedness	Salary of Minister including use of Par.	Clerk of Church.	Superintendent of Sunday-school
Andrews	0	.....	0	0	0	Thos. Newham	.....
Angola	$5,000	1871	0	0	100	Mrs. O. Carver	.....
Bremen	2,500	1880	0	0	.....	Sam'l Knoblock	Moses Keyser.
Elkhart	8,000	1872	0	0	1,200	A. P. Kent	A. P. Kent.
East Gilead, Mich.	1,200	1881	0	0	175	W T Ammerman	.....
Ft. Wayne, Plym.	5,000	1871	0	0	1,000	C. S. Smith	Samuel Kimball
Fremont	1,500	1879	0	$600	100	Mrs. S. Holcomb	W. V. Garn.
Hebron	1,500	1877	0	0	500	Hiram Marsh	H. Marsh.
Jamestown	2,500	1879	0	45	100	L. P. Persing	L. P. Persing.
Michigan City	20,000	1881	$3,500	.....	1,500	W. R. Corbin	JeromeBurbunk
Ontario	1,200	1840	0	0	250	J. G. Scott	J. G. Scott.
Orland	2,000	1850	1,400	0	450	David B. West	J. P. Jadwin.
	50,460		4,900	645	5,675		

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION

Beech Wood	1,000	1885	0	0	116	D. W. Youtsler	D. W. Youtsler.
Cardonia	1,200	1880	0	0	307	Henry Price	Edward Wilton.
Cedar Wood	.....	.....	0	0	0	Wm. Denbo	Fred Blume.
Central	1,100	1883	0	0	129	J. H. Lohmeyer	Benj. Pearson.
Ind'apolis, Plym.	50,000	1884	0	33,000	3,000	S. P. Porter	Jesse H. Brown.
Ind'apolis, Mayfl.	10,000	1868	0	0	1,000	Dr. W. S. Rawls	John P. Scott.
Kokomo	8,000	.....	2,000	0	1,200	Wm. P. Vaile	Willard E. Hurd.
Lanesville	0	.....	0	0	0	Wm. Thomas	.....
Liber	800	1857	0	0	0	Benj. L. Weber	Jno. J Bockoven.
Macksville	3,000	1885	0	0	160	Rev. J. Hayes	L. F. Perdue.
Mauckport	0	.....	0	0	63	B. F. Rissler	.....
Peru	0	.....	0	0	0	Aaron Dukes	.....
Pisgah, Ohio	3,500	1883	0	0	500	G. W. Kremming	E. F. Hastings.
Solsberry	1,500	1866	0	0	.....	H. M. Elliott	L. C. Frame.
Terre Haute, First	30,000	1859	0	0	2,000	Jos. H. Foote	Chas. C. Oakey.
Vigo, South	600	1857	0	0	145	Robert Smith	Robt. Smith.
Vigo, West	800	1849	0	0	150	M. T. Goodman	J. B. Goodman.
Westchester	500	1856	0	0	75	Sam'l Gierhart	Lewis Metzner.
	112,000		2,000	33,000	8,829		

EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN INDIANA.

Center Union	0	.....	0	0	0	A. Faries	.....
Hart Township	600	.....	0	0	0	C. C. Caswell	.....
Montgomery	0	.....	0	0	.....	Wm McCullough	.....
Ridge, Illinois	300	1852	0	0	54	R. A. Curtis	Wm. T. Curtis.
Pleasant Grove	0	.....	0	0	0	Rev. L. Wilson	.....
Olive, Illinois	600	1878	0	0	50	Oscar Curtis	Saywell Perkins.
	1,500	.....	.....	.....	84		
Grand Total	163,960		6,900	33,645	14,588		
Deduct Churches of other States	5,660		0	0	759		
Total for Indiana	158,300		6,900	33,645	13,829		

EXPLANATION.—In this table the Churches aided by the Home Missionary Society include in report of salary the amount of aid received.

When two or more Churches unite in the support of one minister each reports its share of the salary, including its proportion of missionary aid.

MINISTERS,

AND THEIR POST OFFICE ADDRESSES.

Andrews, David W., Hebron.

Corning, J. Leonard, Terre Haute.

Curtis, Leander, East Gilead, Branch county, Mich.

Diggs, Marshall W., Fort Recovery, Mercer county, Ohio.

Goodman, William W., Macksville, Vigo county.

Greene, Caleb, Oakland City, Gibson county.

Hayes, James, Macksville, Vigo county.

Hazeltine, Edwin A., Fort Wayne.

Hyde, Nathaniel A., Indianapolis.

McCormick, Thomas B., Princeton, Gibson county.

McCulloch, Oscar C , Indianapolis.

McCune, Robert, Kokomo.

Perkins, Saywell, Grayville, White county, Illinois.

Preston, Jared R., Orland, Steuben county.

Rose, Luman P., Indianapolis.

Seymour, Joel M., Presbyterian Church, Norwalk, Ohio.

Trueblood, Jasper, Mauckport, Harrison county.

Warburton, Charles S., Indianapolis.

Wilson, Levin, Cynthiana, Posey county.

Wilson, Lewis, Oakland City, Gibson county.

Wills, Zaccheus, Licentiate, Cardonia, Clay county.

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

This summary does not include the returns of churches in other States that are connected with associations in Indiana.

CHURCHES—22 with acting pastors; 11 vacant. Total, 33.

MINISTERS—13 acting pastors; 7 others. Total, 20.

CHURCH MEMBERS—667 males; 1,422 females. Total, 2,089, including 264 absent.

ADDITIONS IN 1885–'86—153 by profession; 63 by letter. Total, 216.

REMOVALS IN 1885–'86—18 by death; 54 by dismission; 4 by discipline. Total, 76.

BAPTISMS IN 1885–'86—51 adults; 43 infants.

IN SABBATH-SCHOOLS—2,241.

FAMILIES—1,497.

BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS—

Home Missions	$470 07
Foreign Missions	377 00
Church Building	38 19
Freedmen	66 06
Other causes	1,101 00
Total	$1,952.22

VALUE of church property—$112,000.

VALUE of Parsonages (3)—$6,900.

INDEBTEDNESS—$33,000.

SALARIES—$8,829.

HOME EXPENDITURES—$26,217.

CHANGES—Churches added, 1; dropped from list, 0.

MINISTERS—Ordinations, 0; installations, 0.

DEATHS—0.

ORGANIZATION—Three Associations of Churches. The churches are also united in a general association, which includes two Illinois churches, viz.: Olive and Ridge, and one Ohio church, Pisgah; one Michigan church, East Gilead.

GENERAL ASSOCIATION

OF

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES

AND

MINISTERS OF INDIANA.

1887.

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MINUTES

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HELD WITH THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, AT KOKOMO,
MAY 11-13, 1887.

REPORT OF THE SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF INDIANA.

INDIANAPOLIS:
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OFFICERS OF ASSOCIATION.

MODERATOR,

REV. GEORGE B. SAFFORD, D. D., - - - ELKHART.

SCRIBE,

REV. J. C. CROMER, - - - - - - FORT WAYNE.

SECRETARY AND TREASURER,

REV. N. A. HYDE, D. D., - - - - - INDIANAPOLIS.

The next annual meeting will be held at Michigan City, commencing Wednesday, May 9, 1888, at 7:30 P. M.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. This Association shall be called "The General Association of the Congregational Churches and Ministers of Indiana."

ART. II. This Association shall not exercise any judicial authority over the ministers and churches belonging to it, but its object shall be to promote Christian love and fellowship among its members; to obtain and disseminate religious information relative to the churches throughout our state, our country, and the world, and to strive together in prayers and counsels and faithful efforts to advance the cause of truth and holiness. It shall hold annual meetings.

ART. III. Evangelical churches of the Congregational order may each be represented by its pastor and three delegates, and any minister shall be entitled to a seat in this body, provided that such churches or ministers shall have first joined the District Association within whose bounds they are located.

ART. IV. At least one sermon shall be preached at each annual meeting, and the preacher shall be appointed at the previous meeting.

ART. V. At each annual meeting each church is expected to furnish, by its pastor, delegates, or otherwise, a written statistical report of the number of members, male and female; additions during the last year, by profession and by letter; removals, by dismissal, death or excommunication; baptisms, adult or infant; Sabbath-school teachers and scholars; contributions to benevolent objects.

ART. VI. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator and Scribe, elected annually by ballot, and a Secretary, elected triennially by ballot, who shall be, *ex officio*, the Treasurer of the Association.

ART. VII. It shall be the duty of the Scribe to keep full and accurate minutes of the transactions of the Association, and, after they have been adopted, to place them in the hands of the Secretary.

ART. VIII. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to give due notice, through the public papers, of the time and place of each meeting; to read the Rules of the Association at the opening session; carefully to record such parts of the minutes of each meeting as may not be printed; to receive statistical reports from the churches, and prepare the same for publication; to send a notice to all the Scribes of local Associations, not more than three months or less than one month before the annual

meeting of the State Association, that they are expected to present a written report to the meeting of the state of religion within their bounds; to receive and distribute publications presented to the Association, and to preserve for the Association all communications addressed to it. As Treasurer, he shall have charge of all moneys belonging to the Association, and shall disburse the same as the Association shall direct. He shall, annually, present a report of the state of the treasury, and also state the sum, in his opinion, necessary to be raised for the ensuing year.

ART. IX. Five members will be requisite to form a quorum for the transaction of business; but for opening and adjourning the meeting a less number shall be competent.

ART. X. The annual meeting of this Association shall be held on the second Wednesday of May, commencing at 7:30 o'clock P. M., and shall remain in session until the ensuing Friday evening.

ART. XI. This constitution may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of the Association by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS.

1. Every daily session shall open with prayer, and close with prayer and benediction.

2. Statistical reports shall be written and filed with the Secretary.

3. Ministers in good standing, connected with other bodies of Evangelical Christians, may be invited to sit as Corresponding Delegates.

4. Delegates presenting themselves for seats in the Association shall present satisfactory evidence that they have authority from the churches to represent the same.

5. Unfinished business shall ordinarily occupy the attention of the Association before new subjects are introduced.

6. Resolutions should be committed to writing, and motions be seconded and repeated by the Moderator, or read aloud, before they are open to debate.

7. Any member personally present at the annual meeting of any corresponding body is authorized to represent this Association in the failure of the regularly appointed delegate, and a copy of this by-law shall be his credentials.

8. An assessment shall be asked by the Secretary from the churches sufficient to provide for printing and circulating the Minutes, and other incidental expenses.

MINUTES.

The twenty-ninth annual meeting of the Congregational Churches and Ministers of Indiana was held with the Congregational Church of Kokomo, May 11–13, 1887.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

The opening sermon was preached by Rev. E. C. Barnard, assistant pastor of Mayflower Church, Indianapolis, from James i, 27.

Adjourned till Thursday morning.

THURSDAY MORNING.

At 8:30 o'clock the Association engaged in devotional exercises, led by Rev. J. R. Preston.

At 9:15 the Association was called to order by Rev. N. A. Hyde, of Indianapolis, the retiring Moderator.

ORGANIZATION.

Rev. George B. Safford, D. D., of Elkhart, was elected Moderator, and Rev. J. C. Cromer, of Fort Wayne, was chosen Scribe.

Prayer was then offered by the Moderator.

The roll of pastors and delegates, when completed, was as follows:

Elkhart—Rev. George B. Safford, D. D., Pastor; A. P. Kent, Mrs. W. A. Thomas, Mrs. E. C. Bickel, Delegates.

Fort Wayne—Rev. J. C. Cromer, Pastor; Mrs. W. E. Mossman, Delegate.

Hebron—Rev. D. W. Andrews, Pastor.

Hobart—Rev. D. W. Andrews, Pastor.

Indianapolis, Plymouth Church—W. A. Bell, Delegate.

Indianapolis, Mayflower Church—Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., Pastor; Rev. E. C. Barnard, Assistant Pastor; H. S. Whitehead, Mrs. N. A. Hyde, Mrs. T. P. Sanborn, Mrs. C. H. Gillette, Mrs. Jennie Fiscus, Miss Carrie S. Bell, Miss Minnie Irving, Delegates.

Orland—Rev. J. R. Preston, Pastor.

Ontario—Rev. J. R. Preston, Pastor.

Michigan City—Rev. C. H. Rogers, Pastor; J. H. Kurtz, Delegate.

Macksville—Rev. James Hayes, Pastor; L. H. Perdue, Miss Lulu Piety, Delegates.

Kokomo—Rev. Robert McCune, Pastor; N. Hurd, Jos. Cain, P. A. Sassaman, Ed Conwell, Delegates.

South Vigo—Rev. James Hayes, Pastor.

Liber—Thomas Towle, Delegate.

Pisgah, Ft. Recovery—Rev. Marshall W. Diggs, Pastor.

Terre Haute—Dr. W. R. Elder, Mrs. W. R. Elder, Miss Eliza B. Warren, Miss Hattie Paige, Delegates.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

Rev. S. J. Humphrey, D. D., Dist. Sec. A. B. C. F. M., Chicago.

Rev. J. B. Clark, D. D., Sec. A. H. M. S., New York.

Rev. T. Y. Gardner, West. Sec. Am. College and Ed. Soc., Hudson, Ohio.

Rev. J. H. Edwards, Christian Church, Kokomo.

Rev. E. S. Fraser, Christian Church, Kokomo.

Rev. C. H. Brown, Methodist Episcopal Church, Kokomo.

Rev. J. E. Irvin, Presiding Elder Methodist Episcopal Church, Kokomo.

Rev. N. C. Smith, Baptist Church, Kokomo.

Rev. Mr. Harden, Free Methodist Church, Kokomo.

Rev. David Douglass, Friends' Church, Kokomo.

Rev. W. S. Winfield, Christian Church, Kokomo.

Rev. Robert McDaniel, African Methodist Episcopal Church, Kokomo.

COMMITTEES.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

On Business—Rev. Robert McCune, Rev. N. A. Hyde, Dr. W. R. Elder.

On Finance—L. F. Perdue, E. P. Kent.

The Business Committee recommended the order of exercises in the printed programme.

REPORTS OF THE CHURCHES.

Rev. J. R. Preston, Scribe of the Northern Association, presented a written report on the condition of some of the churches in that body. Pastors and delegates then made verbal reports as follows: Rev. D. W. Andrews reported for the churches at Hebron and Hobart; Rev. C. H. Rogers for the church at Michigan City; Bros. P. A. Sassaman and N. Hurd for the church at Kokomo; Rev. N. A. Hyde and Rev. E. C. Barnard for Mayflower Church, Indianapolis; W. A. Bell for Plymouth Church, Indianapolis; Rev. James Hayes and L. F. Perdue for church at Macksville; Dr. W. R. Elder for church at Terre Haute; Rev. James Hayes for church at South Vigo; Bro. Thomas Towle for the church at Liber; Rev. Marshall W. Diggs for the Pisgah Church, Fort Recovery, Ohio.

Rev. Robert McCune introduced the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee of two be appointed to wait upon the Indiana Branch of the Woman's Board of Missions of the Interior, in session in the Methodist Church, with the request that they meet with us for a public Missionary meeting at 2:30 P. M.

The resolution was adopted, and the Moderator appointed Rev. Robert McCune and Dr. W. R. Elder as that committee.

In the absence of Rev. O. C. McCulloch (detained by illness) and Rev. C. S. Warburton, who were to open a discussion on the "Morals and Methods of Church Finance," the Association took a recess to give place to the meeting of the Home Missionary Society of Indiana.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

The afternoon was occupied by the State Missionary Society and a general Missionary meeting, under the auspices of the Indiana Branch of the Woman's Board. Addresses were made by Mrs. Chas. Case, of Chicago; Mrs. Chauncy Goodrich, of the North China Mission, and Miss Carrie S. Bell, of Indianapolis, under commission as Missionary to Southern India.

THURSDAY EVENING.

The Association convened at 7:30 P. M. After singing by the choir and reading of the Scriptures and prayer by Rev. N. C. Smith, pastor of the Baptist Church, the Association listened to an address by Rev. S. J. Humphrey, D. D., District Secretary of the A. B. C. F. M., on "The reflex influence of Foreign Missionary work upon the spiritual life of the Churches."

Association adjourned at 9 o'clock to the house of Mr. John Barnes, where a delightful reception was given to the members of the Association by the ladies of the church of Kokomo.

FRIDAY MORNING.

The Association convened at 8:30 o'clock, and was led in devotional exercises by Rev. C. H. Rogers.

The Business Committee reported an order for the day.

The Treasurer read his annual report of receipts and expenditures, which showed a balance in the treasury of $9.47.

On motion, E. P. Kent was appointed auditor to examine the Treasurer's accounts. He reported the accounts correct.

PLACE OF NEXT MEETING.

On motion of Rev. J. R. Preston, the Association voted to hold the next annual meeting at Michigan City.

Rev. C. H. Rogers, Rev. Geo. B. Safford and Rev. N. A. Hyde were appointed a committee on programme for the next meeting.

On motion, Rev. N. A. Hyde was re-elected Secretary and Treasurer of the Association.

The Association here took a recess to give place to the State Missionary Society.

THE TEMPERANCE CAUSE.

Re-assembling, the Association modified the order of exercises, and at this point listened to a paper by Dr. Geo. B. Safford on "The Relations of the Church to the Temperance Cause."

A discussion of the topic was continued by Revs. N. A. Hyde, E. C. Barnard, Robert McCune and Secretary J. B. Clark.

Rev. T. Y. Gardner, Western Secretary of the American College and Education Society, presented the existing need of young men for the ministry, and urged the importance of supporting the Society which he represented.

Took a recess till 1:30 P. M.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

The Association convened at the appointed hour.

Prayer was offered by Rev. E. C. Barnard.

HOME MISSIONS IN INDIANA.

Then followed an informal conference with Secretary J. B. Clark, of the American Home Missionary Society, on the missionary situation in Indiana. Remarks were made by Revs. N. A. Hyde, Robert McCune, C. H. Rogers, N. C. Smith, J. R. Preston, Marshall W. Diggs, J. C. Cromer, Dr. W. R. Elder, Mrs. W. R. Elder, and Secretary J. B. Clark.

It was the sentiment of all that Indiana is a neglected field; that as a denomination we ought to do more to evangelize the state, and that the opportunities for church extension call for the immediate appointment of an efficient Superintendent and a State Missionary. Secretary Clark assured the brethren that the American Home Missionary Society is willing to enlarge its work in Indiana if its resources permit, and he urged upon the churches more generous contributions to Home Missions.

Rev. N. A. Hyde offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That we recommend the organization of a "Cent-a-Week Society" by the ladies of every church within the bounds of this body, to be auxiliary to the Indiana State Home Missionary Society.

The resolution was adopted.

The subject, "The church in its relations to the children and youth of the community," was discussed by Rev. C. H. Rogers and Rev. J. C. Cromer.

Took a recess till 7:30 P. M.

FRIDAY EVENING.

The closing session was opened with singing by the choir and prayer by Rev. D. W. Andrews.

Secretary Joseph B. Clark, of New York, made an impressive address upon "The Greatness of the work laid upon the Home Missionary Society." His remarks were illustrated and enforced by a large map of our country.

On motion, thanks were tendered to the families in Kokomo whose generous hospitality had been enjoyed by the members of the Association.

Appropriate closing remarks were made by the Moderator, reviewing the work of the Association, noting its harmony and devotion to the cause of Christ at home and abroad, and acknowledging the kindness of the people of Kokomo.

After voting to adjourn to meet with the church in Michigan City in 1888, the session was closed with prayer and benediction by the Moderator.

GEO. B. SAFFORD, *Moderator.*
J. C. CROMER, *Scribe.*

Attest: N. A. HYDE, *Secretary.*

HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF INDIANA.

SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The seventh annual meeting of the Home Missionary Society of Indiana was held with the church at Kokomo, Wednesday, May 12, at 11 A. M., Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., in the chair.

After prayer by the President, Rev. J. C. Cromer, of Fort Wayne, was elected Secretary.

The minutes of the last annual meeting not being at hand, their reading was postponed to another occasion.

Rev. N. A. Hyde then presented, in a short address, "The Missionary Situation in Indiana."

Rev. J. R. Preston followed in a discussion of the topic, "Our Need of Evangelistic Work."

Took a recess till 1:30 P. M.

The Society convened at 1:30 P. M.

Rev. N. A. Hyde, chairman of the Executive Committee, presented the following report:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Executive Committee of the Indiana Home Missionary Society, having had under consideration the needs and the emergency of our missionary work in this state, respectfully report:

1. In their judgment Indiana is now in need of the full services of a Missionary Superintendent. A man of devotion, experience and ability should be selected for this office at once. The condition of our weak, pastorless churches, and the new fields waiting for our occupancy, make this agency a pressing necessity. We, therefore, recommend that a committee be appointed who shall be authorized to correspond with the American Home Missionary Society, and secure at an early day, if possible, the appointment of a Superintendent for Indiana.

2. We also have had under consideration the advisability of employing one or more evangelists, who shall be under the direction of the Executive Committee and State Superintendent. The success of this agency in other states on our border warrants us in recommending its trial in this state. We believe it could not fail, when wisely directed, to strengthen the weak churches, and to develop in destitute communities permanent interest in the preaching of the gospel. We, therefore, recommend that this matter be referred to the Executive Committee and the State Superintendent, who shall be authorized to make such provision for the employment of one or more evangelists as shall seem to them wise and practicable.

3. We recommend that the churches in the state, by their action in this body and in the District Associations, pledge themselves to heartily co-operate, in liberal contributions as well as prayers, with the American Home Missionary Society, on which, under God, we chiefly depend for any enlargement of our work in this state.

Respectfully submitted.

N. A. HYDE,
ROBERT MCCUNE,
W. R. ELDER,
For the Executive Committee.

The resolutions were adopted after a very animated discussion, participated in by Revs. J. R. Preston, C. H. Rogers, Geo. B. Safford, J. C. Cromer, Delegate L. F. Perdue, and others.

At this point the President read the report and recommendations of the late Secretary, Rev. L. P. Rose, who had resigned his office previous to this meeting.

Rev. Robert McCune and Rev. C. H. Rogers were appointed a committee to nominate officers for the coming year.

The Society then took a recess.

The Society convened Friday morning at 11 o'clock.

The Nominating Committee recommended that the Executive Committee for the ensuing year be constituted as follows:

Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., President; Rev. J. C. Cromer, Secretary; Rev. C. S. Warburton, Treasurer; Rev. O. C.

McCulloch, Rev. Geo. B. Safford, D. D., Rev. C. H. Rogers, Mr. L. P. Alden.

A conference was held with Rev. Joseph B. Clark, D. D., Secretary of the American Home Missionary Society, on the missionary situation in Indiana. (See report in Minutes, page 10.)

On motion, the Society adjourned.

J. C. CROMER, *Secretary.*

Note.—During the year now brought to a close, Rev. L. P. Rose, Secretary of this Society, and for nine years Superintendent of Missions in Indiana, has resigned his office. His faithful labors among the churches which he has nourished with a true shepherd's care, his Christian spirit and devotion, and his wisdom in counsel, have been highly appreciated by his brethren. Their prayers and best wishes go with him to his new home.

His last report to the Executive Committee of the State Society closes with these words:

We gratefully acknowledge the merciful visitation of God's grace in giving to the missionary churches of Indiana one hundred and sixty-nine hopeful conversions, most of whom have been added to their membership. With this special Divine blessing come renewed obligations and multiplied responsibilities upon the churches. At least eighty converts start the Christian life in churches without a pastor; some will find homes elsewhere, but most of them *should* unite with us, but with what poor encouragement for religious culture and spiritual growth! Lambs without a shepherd; planted in a garden without a tiller. With what significance Jesus' words come to the churches from these destitute fields: "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few," etc.

On account of the impaired health of my devoted wife, who is always a willing helper when able, and of my own somewhat waning powers, making a change desirable, I have resigned the duties of Secretary and Superintendent.

The nine years of intimacy with the work of missions in Indiana; the weak churches for which I have formed an attachment like that of a father to a dependent child; the pleasant homes that have so cordially contributed to my comfort and enjoyment; the uniform courtesy ex-

tended to me by the pastors, missionaries and officers of the H. M. S. of Indiana, and the love I bear to the cause and my active work for its promotion, conspire to make the breaking of these sacred relations one of the most painful experiences of my life; yet Providence seems to indicate the course to pursue. I take my leave, therefore, with feelings of profound gratitude to Almighty God for the many blessings with which He has crowned these years, and with a high appreciation of the many warm-hearted friends whose memory I will ever cherish with delight, invoking their benediction upon my declining years. My prayer is that the Lord may abundantly bless the churches of Indiana.

L. P. Rose.

CONSTITUTION.

Article I. This Society shall be called the "Home Missionary Society of Indiana."

Art. II. The object of this organization shall be to promote the interests of the Congregational Churches of the State, especially by securing their more efficient co-operation in home missionary work.

Art. III. Any minister or delegate holding connection with the State Association shall be considered a member of this Society.

Art. IV. The officers of this Society shall be a President, Secretary and Treasurer. The President shall be elected by ballot for the term of two years; the State Missionary shall be, *ex officio*, Secretary of the Society, and the Treasurer shall be elected annually, *viva voce*.

PRESIDENT.

Art. V. The President shall preside at all the meetings of the Society; shall act as President of the Executive Committee, hereinafter provided for, and perform other duties incident to that office.

SECRETARY.

Art. VI. The Secretary shall keep a record of all the proceedings of the Society and Executive Committee, of all the applications of churches for aid, of the name and date of commission, of all the missionaries of the State and the amount granted each, and of the contributions of the churches to the A. H. M. S., as reported to him from time to time.

TREASURER.

Art. VII. The Treasurer shall receive and disburse all the funds of the Society, under the direction of the Executive Committee, and make a report of the same to the Society at their annual meetings.

ART. VIII. The Society shall elect annually three from their number, who, with the President, Secretary and Treasurer, shall constitute an Executive Committee, to whom all applications for aid to churches shall be submitted for their approval. This committee shall have supervision of all the missionary work in the State; it shall look especially after the interests of pastorless churches, furnishing them temporary supplies, and helping them to a permanent ministry whenever practicable. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to meet at least once a quarter to consult in regard to the work of the State Missionary, to act upon applications for aid, and to transact such other business as the best interests of missions in the State require. They shall also, by their Secretary, report to the Society, at its annual meetings, all their proceedings for approval.

ART. IX. This constitution may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of the Society by a two-thirds vote of all the members present.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

N. A. Hyde,

In Account with the General Association of Indiana.

1887.	DR.	
May 11.	Balance in treasury	$ 9 47
	Received from church at Elkhart	5 75
	" " " Ft. Wayne	4 90
	" " " Hebron	1 55
	" " " Hobart	1 00
	" " " Liber	1 45
	" " " Macksville	1 00
	" " " Ontario	1 65
	" " " Orland	2 95
	" " " Terre Haute	12 50
	" " " Vigo, South	1 90
	" " " Vigo, West	45
	" " " Indianapolis, Plymouth	10 70
	" " " Indianapolis, Mayflower	8 50
	Total	$63 77

June, 1887.	CR.	
	Three hundred Minutes	$30 00
	Treasurer of National Council	36 84
	Postage on Notices and Minutes	1 50
	Total	$ 68 34
	Deficit	$ 4 57

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

Churches.	Organized	Ministers.	Ordained	Commenced	Members, May 1, 1887.				Additions.			Removals.				Baptisms.		Sunday Schools.	Contributions.						Home Expenditures
					Male	Female	Total	Absent	Profession	Letter	Total	Death	Dismis'ns.	Discipline	Total	Adults	Infants		Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Ch. B'ild'g	Freedmen	Other Causes.	Total	
Andrews	1883	Vacant			3	9	12	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Angola	1869	F. E. Knopf		1887	7	36	43	10	4	4	8	1	3	11	15	0	0	65	$11 25	0	0	0	0	$11 25	
Beachwood [1]	1884	Jasper Trueblood	1878	1884	8	15	23	0	15	0	15	0	0	0	0	7	1	55	3 00	0	$2 85	0	0	5 85	$201 75
Bremen	1874	Vacant			8	20	28	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	1 65	0	0	0	0	1 65	78 00
Cardonia	1879	Vacant			9	17	26	0	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	150	1 46	0	0	0	0	1 46	
Cedarwood	1881	Jasper Trueblood	1878	1882	25	22	47	0	9	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Center Union [2]	1882	Vacant			6	9	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Central	1881	Jasper Trueblood	1878	1881	27	35	62	0	15	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	4 50	0	3 00	0	1 00	8 50	300 00
Elkhart	1869	George B. Safford	1858	1857	35	94	129	10	2	5	7	1	4	0	5	2	0	115	0	$38 50	0	0	0	38 50	1,500 00
Ft. Wayne, Plymouth.	1870	J. C. Cromer	1885	1886	42	102	144	22	24	4	28	0	9	0	9	5	2	136	25 54	34 00	0	3 50	35 00	98 04	1,550 00
Fremont	1874	Vacant			10	27	37	6	2	2	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	65	10 25	1 56	0	0	0	11 81	100 00
Hart Township [3]	1856	Lewis Wilson	1849	1857	7	7	14	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Hebron	1882	D. W. Andrews	1877	1885	9	11	20	0	2	0	2	3	0	0	3	1	0	50	5 00	1 00	0	0	0	6 00	525 00
Hobart	1885	D. W. Andrews	1877	1885	15	17	32	0	14	1	15	0	3	0	3	2	2	40	5 00	0	0	0	0	5 00	300 00
Hosmer	1887	Caleb Greene	1850	1887	6	9	15	0	4	9	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	80	5 00	0	0	0	0	5 00	
Ind'polis, Plymouth	1857	O. C. McCulloch	1870	1877	126	235	361	36	53	12	65	7	0	0	7	10	11	200	25 00	0	0	0	288 79	313 79	7,500 00
" Mayflower	1869	N. A. Hyde	1858	1872	55	119	174	34	0	6	6	0	1	0	1	0	2	175	55 20	119 00	0	0	110 00	284 20	1,250 00
Jamestown [4]	1872	L. Curtis.	1856	1886	9	11	20	0	20		20	0	0	0	0			70	7 45	0	0	0	0	7 45	100 00

Kokomo	1863	Vacant			34	94	128	23										130	6 50	15 00	0	0	0	21 50	1500 00
Lanesville	1876	Vacant			10	5	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9 70	0	0	0	0	9 70	
Liber	1854	Vacant			22	25	47	10	15	2	17	0	2	0	2	2	0	125	6 85	9 50	0	0	0	16 35	89 00
Macksville, Bethany	1883	James Hayes	1879	1885	24	58	82	0	39	23	62	1	2	0	3	23	0	125	16 60	2 00	2 86	2 86	33 70	58 02	335 00
Mauckport	1885	Jasper Trueblood	1878	1884	12	18	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		3 00	0	0	0	0	3 00	40 00
Michigan City	1835	Chas. H. Rogers	1887	1886	48	88	131	37	16	6	22	0	6	0	6	12	1	200	69 74	53 84	0	0	20	143 58	1,544 00
Montgomery[5]	1852	Lewis Wilson	1849	1856	6	15	21	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11 00					11 00	
Ontario	1840	J. R. Preston	1865	1884	24	39	63	0	23	1	24	0	0	0	0	7	0	65	4 22	6 50	0	0	0	10 72	300 00
Orland	1836	J. R. Preston	1865	1883	28	62	90	8	23	0	23	1	1	0	2	7	1	82	31 00	13 00	0	0	0	44 00	650 00
Peru	1877	Vacant			10	15	25																		
Pleasant Grove[6]	1855	Levin Wilson	1849	1855	1	4	5																		
Solsberry	1868	Vacant			36	47	83	19	9	0	9	0	0	0	0	4	0	135	16 85	0	0	0	0	16 85	50 00
Terre Haute	1834	J. L. Corning		1885	113	220	333	14	12	8	20	4	11	0	15	0	0	235	54 88	30 90	0	58 48	147 70	291 96	3,224 50
Vigo South[7]	1854	James Hayes	1879	1885	20	26	46	10	4	0	4	0	5	0	5	4	0	40	5 90	0	0	1	0	6 90	120 00
Westchester	1861	F. Stovenour, B'p.	1861	1883	20	32	52	0	5	0	5	0	0	0	0			60	3 50	0	0	0	0	3 50	100 00
Thirty-three Churches					810	1533	2353	259	314	83	397	18	47	11	76	87	20	2483	$385 64	324 80	$8 87	64 84	636 19	$1420 18	20,357 25

CHURCHES IN OTHER STATES CONNECTED WITH THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF INDIANA.

East Gilead, Mich	1865	L. Curtis.	1856	1885	13	17	30	7	0	2	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	60	$14 22	0	0	0	0	$14 22	140 00
Olive, Ill[8]	1879	Saywell Perkins.	1860	1885	11	17	28	3	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	47	12 18	0	0	0	0	12 18	100
Pisgah[9]	1854	M. W. Diggs	1857	1857	21	25	46	3	3	1	4	1	1	0	2	2	1	50	25 00	12 00	5	5	3 00	50 00	330 00
					45	59	104	13	4	4	8	1	2	0	3	3	2	157	$51 40	12 00	5	5	$3 00	$76 40	470 00

[1] Amsterdam, Harrison Co., P. O. [2] Oakland City P. O. [3] Eby, Warrick Co., P. O. [4] Crooked Creek P. O. [5] Oakland City P. O. [6] Cynthiana, Posey Co., P. O. [7] Macksville, Vigo Co., P. O. [8] Albion P. O. [9] Fort Recovery P. O. OTHER MINISTERS.—W. W. Goodman, West Vigo; Charles S. Warburton, Indianapolis; T. B. McCormick, Princeton Ind. Rev. J. C. Cromer and Rev. G. B. Safford are installed pastors.

DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

[Three churches in other states, one in Michigan, one in Ohio, and one in Illinois, belong to Associations in Indiana.]

NORTHERN ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	*Clerk of Church.*	*Sup't of Sunday-school.*
Andrews	Thomas Newham	
Angola	F. E. Knopf	F. E. Knopf.
Bremen	Samuel Knoblock	Moses Keyser.
Elkhart	A. P. Kent	A. P. Kent.
East Gilead, Mich	W. T. Ammerman	John Wilkins.
Ft. Wayne, Plymouth	C. G. Smith	W. V. Douglass.
Fremont	Mrs. B. B. Holcomb	J. H. Wade.
Hebron	A. Blanchard	Charles Sherwood.
Hobart	Emil Stetow	Abel Wood.
Jamestown	L. P. Persing	L. P. Persing.
Michigan City	W. R. Corbin	Jerome Burbunk.
Ontario	J. G. Scott	J. G. Scott.
Orland	W. J. Case	Milton L. Rose.

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Beech Wood	D. W. Youtsler	D. W. Youstler.
Cardonia	Henry Price	Edward Wilton.
Cedar Wood	Wm. Denbo	Fred. Blume.
Central	J. H. Lohmeyer	Benj. Pearson.
Ind'apolis, Plymouth	Miss Anna Taylor	Samuel P. Porter.
Ind'apolis, Mayflower	Dr. W. S. Rawls	John P. Scott.
Kokomo		Willard E. Hurd.
Lanesville	Wm. Thomas	
Liber	H. J. Votaw	Benj. L. Weber.
Macksville	Miss Ella Morrow	L. F. Perdue.
Mauckport	B. F. Rissler	
Peru	Aaron Dukes	
Pisgah, Ohio	G. W. Krenning	E. T. Hastings.
Solsberry	H. M. Elliott	L. C. Frame.
Terre Haute, First	Chas. B. Brokaw	Chas. C. Oakey.
Vigo, South	Robert Smith	H. T. Macklin.
Westchester	Samuel Gierhart	Lewis Metzner.

EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN INDIANA.

Center Union	A. Faries	
Hart Township	C. C. Caswell	
Hosmer	Mary E. Taylor	Scott Davis
Montgomery	Wm. McCullough	
Olive, Illinois	Oscar Curtis	Saywell Perkins
Pleasant Grove	Rev. L. Wilson	

MINISTERS,

AND THEIR POST-OFFICE ADDRESSES.

Andrews, David W., Hebron.

~~Corning, J. Leonard, Terre Haute.~~

Cromer, Jere C., Fort Wayne.

Curtis, Leander, East Gilead, Branch county, Michigan.

Diggs, Marshall W., Fort Recovery, Mercer county, Ohio.

Goodman, William W., Macksville, Vigo county.

Greene, Caleb, Oakland City, Gibson county.

Hayes, James, Macksville, Vigo county.

Hyde, Nathaniel A., Indianapolis.

Knight, Horace B., Bremen, Marshall county.

~~Knopf, F. E., Angola.~~

McCormick, Thomas B., Princeton, Gibson county.

McCulloch, Oscar C., Indianapolis.

~~McCune, Robert, Ironton, Ohio~~

Perkins, Saywell, Grayville, White county, Illinois.

Preston, Jared R., Fremont, Steuben county.

Rogers, Charles H., Michigan City.

~~Rose, Lumau P., Hastings, Nebraska.~~

Safford, George B., Elkhart.

Trueblood, Jasper, Mauckport, Harrison county.

Warburton, Charles S., Indianapolis.

Wilson, Levin, Cynthiana, Posey county.

Wilson, Lewis, Oakland City, Gibson county.

~~Wills, Zaccheus, Licentiate, Clay county.~~

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

This summary does not include the returns of churches in other states that are connected with Associations in Indiana.

CHURCHES — 2 with pastors; 22 with acting pastors; 9 vacant. Total, 33.

MINISTERS—3 installed pastors; 13 acting pastors; 8 others. Total, 24.

CHURCH MEMBERS—810 males; 1,583 females. Total, 2,353, including 259 absent.

ADDITIONS IN 1886–'87—314 by profession; 83 by letter. Total, 397.

REMOVALS IN 1886–'87—18 by death; 47 by dismission; 11 by discipline. Total, 76.

BAPTISMS IN 1886–'87—87 adults; 20 infants.

IN SABBATH-SCHOOLS—2,483.

BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS—

Home Missions	$385 64
Foreign Missions	324 80
Church Building	8 81
Freedmen	64 84
Other causes	636 19
Total	$1,420 28

HOME EXPENDITURES—$20,357.25.

CHANGES—Churches added, 1; dropped from list, 1.

MINISTERS—Ordinations, 0; installations, 2.

DEATHS—0.

ORGANIZATION—Three associations of churches. The churches are also united in a General Association, which includes one Illinois church (Olive), one Ohio church (Pisgah), and one Michigan church (East Gilead.)

MINISTERS,

AND THEIR POST-OFFICE ADDRESSES.

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Perkins, Saywell, Grayville, White county, Illinois.

Preston, Jared R., Fremont, Steuben county.

Rogers, Charles H., Michigan City.

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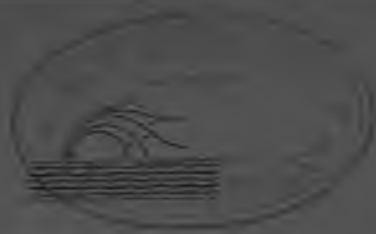

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1888.

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AND

MINISTERS OF INDIANA,

HELD WITH THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, AT MICHIGAN CITY,
MAY 9-11, 1888.

REPORT

OF THE

EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

OF INDIANA.

INDIANAPOLIS:
CARLON & HOLLENBECK, PRINTERS AND BINDERS.
1888.

OFFICERS OF ASSOCIATION.

MODERATOR,

REV. ALFRED K. WRAY, - - - - - - KOKOMO.

SCRIBE,

J. E. BISHOP, - - - - - - - - - PORTLAND.

SECRETARY AND TREASURER,

REV. N. A. HYDE, D. D., - - - - - - INDIANAPOLIS.

The next annual meeting will be held with Plymouth Church, Indianapolis, commencing Wednesday, May 8, 1889, at 7:30 P. M.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. This Association shall be called "The General Association of the Congregational Churches and Ministers of Indiana."

ART. II. This Association shall not exercise any judicial authority over the ministers and churches belonging to it, but its object shall be to promote Christian love and fellowship among its members; to obtain and disseminate religious information relative to the churches through out our state, our country, and the world, and to strive together in prayers and counsels and faithful efforts to advance the cause of truth and holiness. It shall hold annual meetings.

ART. III. Evangelical churches of the Congregational order may each be represented by its pastor and three delegates, and any minister shall be entitled to a seat in this body, provided that such churches or ministers shall have first joined the District Association within whose bounds they are located.

ART. IV. At least one sermon shall be preached at each annual meeting, and the preacher shall be appointed at the previous meeting.

ART. V. At each annual meeting each church is expected to furnish, by its pastor, delegates, or otherwise, a written statistical report of the number of members, male and female; additions during the last year, by profession and by letter; removals by dismissal, death or excommunication; baptisms, adult or infant; Sabbath-school teachers and scholars; contributions to benevolent objects.

ART. VI. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator and cribe, elected annually by ballot, and a Secretary, elected triennially by ballot, who shall be, *ex officio*, the Treasurer of the Association.

ART. VII. It shall be the duty of the Scribe to keep full and accurate minutes of the transactions of the Association, and, after they have been adopted, to place them in the hands of the Secretary.

ART. VIII. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to give due notice, through the public papers, of the time and place of each meeting; to read the Rules of the Association at the opening session; carefully to record such parts of the minutes of each meeting as may not be printed; to receive statistical reports from the churches, and prepare the same for publication; to send a notice to all the Scribes of local Associations, not more than three months or less than one month before the annual

meeting of the State Association, that they are expected to present a written report to the meeting of the state of religion within their bounds; to receive and distribute publications presented to the Association, and to preserve for the Association all communications addressed to it. As Treasurer, he shall have charge of all moneys belonging to the Association, and shall disburse the same as the Association shall direct. He shall, annually, present a report of the state of the treasury, and also state the sum, in his opinion, necessary to be raised for the ensuing year.

ART. IX. Five members will be requisite to form a quorum for the transaction of business; but for opening and adjourning the meeting a less number shall be competent.

ART. X. The annual meeting of this Association shall be held on the second Wednesday of May, commencing at 7:30 o'clock P. M., and shall remain in session until the ensuing Friday evening.

ART. XI. This constitution may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of the Association by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS.

1. Every daily session shall open with prayer, and close with prayer and benediction.
2. Statistical reports shall be written and filed with the Secretary.
3. Ministers in good standing, connected with other bodies of Evangelical Christians, may be invited to sit as Corresponding Delegates.
4. Delegates presenting themselves for seats in the Association shall present satisfactory evidence that they have authority from the churches to represent the same.
5. Unfinished business shall ordinarily occupy the attention of the Association before new subjects are introduced.
6. Resolutions should be committed to writing, and motions be seconded, and repeated by the Moderator, or read aloud, before they are open to debate.
7. Any member personally present at the annual meeting of any corresponding body is authorized to represent this Association in the failure of the regularly appointed delegate, and a copy of this by-law shall be his credentials.
8. An assessment shall be asked by the Secretary from the churches sufficient to provide for printing and circulating the Minutes and other incidental expenses.

MINUTES.

The thirtieth annual meeting of the Congregational Churches and Ministers of Indiana was held with the Congregational Church of Michigan City, May 9–11, 1888.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

The opening sermon was preached by Rev. M. Angelo Dougherty, pastor of the Congregational Church, Terre Haute, at 7:30 o'clock.

ORGANIZATION.

Rev. George B. Safford, D. D., of Elkhart, the retiring Moderator, called the Association to order at 9:30 o'clock, Rev. J. C. Cromer, of Fort Wayne, acting as Scribe.

By motion, the Secretary was instructed to cast the vote of the Association for Rev. A. K. Wray, of Kokomo, for Moderator. The election of Scribe was postponed till the morning session.

The roll of pastors and delegates, when completed, was as follows:

ANDREWS.—Rev. H. Van Ommeren, Pastor.

COAL BLUFF.—Rev. James Hayes, Pastor.

ELKHART.—Rev. Geo. B. Safford, D. D., Pastor; Albert S. Hall, Mrs. D. E. C. Hall, Mrs. Ellen H. Smith, Delegates.

FORT WAYNE.—Rev. J. C. Cromer, Pastor; Mrs. J. C. Cromer, Mrs. William Mossman, Clarence Wilson, Delegates.

FREMONT.—Mrs. J. R. Preston, Delegate.

HAMMOND.—Rev. W. W. Lineberry, Pastor; Mrs. H. P. Dryer, Mrs. W. W. Lineberry, Delegates.

INDIANAPOLIS.—Plymouth: Rev. O. C. McCulloch, Pastor; W. A. Bell, S. P. Porter, Delegates.

INDIANAPOLIS.—Mayflower: Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., Pastor; Dea. H. L. Whitehead, Mrs. N. A. Hyde, Mrs. T. P. Sanborn, Miss M. E. Perry, Mrs. O. A. Flanner, Delegates.

KOKOMO.—Rev. A. K. Wray, Pastor; Mrs. A. K. Wray, Mrs. C. E. Rutledge, Delegates.

LIBER.—Chas. E. Milligan, Delegate.

HEBRON.—C. B. Sherwood, Mrs. Mary Burton, Miss Ida Fisher, Mrs. E. B. Rice, Delegates.

HOBART.—Rev. D. W. Andrews, Pastor; A. K. Gearheart, Mrs. D. W. Andrews, Delegates.

MICHIGAN CITY.—Rev. C. H. Rogers, Pastor; D. F. Brown, W. R. Corbin, Mrs. C. W. Peck, Delegates.

MACKSVILLE.—L. F. Purdue, Delegate.

PORTLAND.—John E. Bishop, George Suman, Delegates.

ROSS.—T. T. Haywood, Delegate.

TERRE HAUTE.—Rev. M. Angelo Dougherty, Pastor; L. P. Alden, Mrs. W. R. Elder, Mrs. C. E. Fuller, Miss Eliza Warren, Mrs. L. F. Purdue, Fred. Paige, Delegates.

OTHER MINISTERS.—Rev. Edward D. Curtis, Indianapolis.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

Rev. S. J. Humphrey, D. D., Dist. Sec. A. B. C. F. M., Chicago.
Rev. L. H. Cobb, D. D., Sec. Am. Cong. Union, New York.
Rev. W. F. McMillen, Cong. S. S. and Pub. Soc , Oberlin.
Rev. H. S. Harrison, "*The Advance*," Chicago.
Rev. W. A. Waterman, Kalamazoo, Mich.
Rev. J. H. Simons, Lafayette.
Rev. J. N. Harris.
Miss Millie A. Hand, Heber, Utah.
Mrs. C. H. Taintor, Chicago.
Mrs. C. H. Case, Chicago.
Miss M. V. Wingate, Chicago.

THURSDAY MORNING.

At 9 o'clock the Association engaged in devotional exercises, led by Rev. James Hayes, Coal Bluff.

At 9:30 o'clock the Moderator, Rev. A. K. Wray, took the chair.

John E. Bishop, of Portland, was elected Scribe.

The Committee on Finance was announced by the Moderator, consisting of S. P. Porter, L. P. Alden, L. F. Perdue and Rev. J. C. Cromer.

Rev. H. Van Ommeren, of Andrews, then addressed the Association on the question, "How can a new church make inroads upon a community?"

A general discussion of the subject followed.

L. F. Perdue read a paper on "Some Defects in Congregationalism."

An animated debate was elicited by the paper, several brethren participating in it.

Took a recess till 2 P. M.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

After prayer by Rev. D. W. Andrews, J. E. Bishop, of Portland, addressed the Association on the subject, "Shall we have a College or an Academy in Indiana?"

A discussion followed with special reference to the institution recently established at Portland, and the action this Association should take in regard to it. The matter was finally referred to the Executive Committee on Home Missions, viz.: Revs. N. A. Hyde, Geo. B. Safford, O. C. McCulloch, Charles H. Rogers, J. C. Cromer.

Rev. J. C. Cromer then presented a paper on "Latent Power in the Church."

A recess of five minutes was then taken.

Reports of the churches was the next order. Brief statements were made by pastors and delegates present on the condition of their respective churches.

H. L. Whitehead, of Indianapolis, presented the claims of a paper, *The Outlook*, published by him in the interest of the denomination in the State. The following committee was appointed to confer with Mr. Whitehead on the expediency of the publication of said paper: M. Angelo Dougherty, Geo. B. Safford, D. D., and Rev. Van Ommeren.

At 3 o'clock the Association took a recess, to give place to the Indiana Missionary Society.

THURSDAY EVENING.

Association convened at 7:30 o'clock.

After singing by the choir, and prayer by Rev. H. Van Ommeren, Rev. Walter M. Barrows, D. D., Secretary of the American Home Missionary Society, addressed the Association on "Our Work."

Miss Millie A. Hand, of Heber, Utah, spoke in behalf of the New West Commission, giving some "Hints on the solution of the Mormon Question."

FRIDAY MORNING.

Association convened at 9 o'clock, and was led in devotional services by Rev. W. W. Lineberry, of Hammond. The Moderator appointed Rev. James Hayes, S. P. Porter and L. F. Perdue as a committee on place of holding the next meeting.

The committee on the school at Portland reported as follows:

"The committee to whom was referred the matter of the Portland school recommend that this Association appoint a special committee of three to consult with the authorities of the school, in the interests of the churches of the State."

The report was adopted. Revs. Geo. B. Safford, O. C. McCulloch and A. K. Wray were appointed on that committee.

The committee on the denominational paper reported as follows:

Resolved, That we appreciate the effort of our beloved brother, Herbert L. Whitehead, to establish a paper which shall be the medium of communication between the churches of our State, and that we recommend his paper, *The Outlook*, to the pastors and the people of this Association, and wish that, by their united and hearty co-operation and support, it might be put upon a permanent basis.

M. Angelo Dougherty,
Geo. B. Safford,
H. Van Ommeren,
Committee.

A communication by Rev. T. Y. Gardner, representative of the Educational Society, was read by Rev. J. C. Cromer.

Rev. James Hayes read a paper on the "Trials of a Home Missionary."

Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That this Association joins with other similar bodies in this country in the request that Rev. W. M. Taylor, D. D., of New York, be the bearer, on our behalf, of a memorial to the World's Missionary Conference to be held in London, urging that body to use its utmost influence with European States to prevent the introduction of the liquor traffic in the Congo Free State.

The foregoing resolution was forwarded to Dr. Taylor.

Association adjourned till 2 o'clock P. M.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

Association was addressed by Mrs. C. H. Taintor, of Chicago, on the parsonage building work of the American Congregational Union. Her topic was "Building for God."

Rev. W. F. McMillen presented the claims of the Congregational Sunday-school Society.

Rev. W. A. Waterman, of Kalamazoo, Mich., read a paper setting forth the history and work of the American Missionary Association.

After a brief recess Rev. Oscar C. McCulloch read a paper on "The Church as a Spiritualizing Force in Community."

FRIDAY EVENING.

The Association convened at 7:30 o'clock.

Rev. L. H. Cobb, D. D., Secretary of the American Congregational Union, with the assistance of a large map, presented the work of that society in building houses of worship and parsonages for destitute churches.

Rev. S. J. Humphrey, D. D., of Chicago, District Secretary of the A. B. C. F. M., addressed the Association on the relation of Home Missions to Foreign Missions.

The committee on the Portland school reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That while this Association is interested in the proposed reorganization of the Portland school, and hopes that it may be successful in establishing itself on a strong financial and educational basis, the Association is not authorized by its system of Congregational polity, nor by the power delegated to it by the churches of which it is composed, to

assume any financial or moral responsibility in the matter of the proposed reorganization.

We desire to record our appreciation of the effort of the brethren of the locality in the direction of the higher education of the young.

GEO. B. SAFFORD,
OSCAR C. MCCULLOCH,
A. K. WRAY,
Committee.

The Moderator appointed the following Committee on Programme for the next meeting: Rev. Oscar C. McCulloch, Rev. M. Angelo Dougherty, Rev. A. K. Wray.

On motion, the thanks of the Association were tendered to the railroads that had granted favors; also, to the pastor and families of the church of Michigan City, and others, for their generous hospitality enjoyed by the members of the Association.

Appropriate farewell words were spoken by the pastor, Rev. C. H. Rogers, of Michigan City. Rev. Dr. Hyde, temporarily in the chair, responded on behalf of the Association.

After voting to adjourn, to meet at Indianapolis May 8, 1889, the session closed with singing "Blest be the Tie," and benediction by the Moderator.

A. K. WRAY, *Moderator.*
J. E. BISHOP, *Scribe.*

ATTEST: N. A. HYDE, *Secretary.*

HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF INDIANA.

EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The eighth annual meeting of the Home Missionary Society of Indiana was held with the church at Michigan City Thursday, May 10, 1888, at 3 P. M., Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., in the chair.

After prayer by the President, John E. Bishop, of Portland, was elected Secretary pro tem.

The reading of the minutes of the last meeting was postponed.

Rev. E. D. Curtis, Superintendent of Missions in the State, addressed the Society on "Home Missions in Indiana."

Rev. J. E. Preston, State Missionary, reported the work he had done. He also spoke upon the subject, "Our Mission," especially in the State of Indiana.

Rev. James Hayes read a paper on the "Trials of a Home Missionary."

Remarks on the missionary work in Indiana were made by L. F. Perdue, O. C. McCulloch, and others.

Rev. A. K. Wray and William A. Bell were appointed a committee to renominate officers.

Article IV of the Constitution was amended so as to read as follows:

"ART. IV. The officers of this Society shall be a President, Secretary and Treasurer. The President shall be elected by ballot for the term of two years; the Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected annually, *viva voce*."

Article VIII was amended so that the first clause should read as follows: "The Society shall elect annually not more than five from their number," etc.

The Nominating Committee reported the following list of officers who constitute the Executive Committee:

Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., President; Rev. E. D. Curtis, Secretary; Rev. O. C. McCulloch, Rev. Geo. B. Safford, D. D., L. F. Perdue, Rev. A. K. Wray, Rev. C. H. Rogers, Rev. J. C. Cromer.

Adjourned. JOHN E. BISHOP, *Sec'y Pro Tem.*

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

For the Year Ending March 31, 1888.

BY REV. E. D. CURTIS, SECRETARY.

The year has been a broken one, caused by a change of Superintendents. Rev. L. P. Rose ceased his long and faithful service with the close of last year.

For two months Rev. J. R. Preston, as General Missionary, filled the gap, and in July the new Superintendent came from his work in Michigan to labor in this field.

That the work has suffered so little derangement is due to the faithfulness of the churches and the home missionary spirit of the brethren, which has helped to carry the society with apparently but little loss of energy through the year of change.

It is true more might have been accomplished. It is, doubtless, true that more ought to have been done. But looking back over the year as one of preparation, we can feel that not only have we held our own, but that, with Divine favor resting upon us, we may confidently trust in a successful year to come.

As in duty bound, your committee recognize the abundant and unfailing mercies of God upon our missionary workers and their respective fields. The evil effects of the terrible drought of 1887 were seen in the reduced finances of the feeble churches, but the perennial springs of God's grace have watered the gardens of missionary life, and we can thank Him for the fruitage of peace, joy, patience and long suffering.

PULPITS SUPPLIED.

While last year quite a number of the churches, both self-supporting and missionary, were without pastors, we can now look over a State with nearly unbroken ranks. About every field among the aided churches which feels itself strong enough to contribute to the support of a pastor is now supplied with stated means of grace, while the vacant self-sup-

porting churches have, with God's blessing, called men of experience and ability to their pulpits.

Unlike the preceding one, this year was not markedly a revival year. It has not been a season of special ingathering. Still, several of the churches have seen the Master's presence in a particular manner.

REVIVALS.

Mayflower, of Indianapolis, and Kokomo have been quietly blessed in the quickening of sinners, and their decision to cast their lot with the people of God. Plymouth and several other churches have enjoyed considerable additions to their membership. Of the missionary churches, Hobart, Hebron, Hammond, Eames, Angola, Coal Bluff, Portland and others have had seasons of refreshing.

For these evidences of Divine presence in and blessing upon our work, we "thank God and take courage."

NEW ORGANIZATIONS.

Seven churches have been organized during the year, all of them except two in new fields entered for the first time this year. They are: Hammond and Ross, Lake county; Eames, Warrick county; Coal Bluff, Vigo county; Andrews, Huntington county; Marion, Grant county, and Portland, Jay county. Two, Portland and Marion, are located in county seats, and Hammond is the largest town in Lake county. At Andrews there had been a previous attempt to have a church, which had been given up for several years. Ross was formerly an independent church of Evangelical character.

ADDITIONAL STATIONS.

In addition, work is being regularly carried forward in Brazil, Huntington, Muncie and Lagrange, important county seats. Perth, Fontanet, Carbon, Roseville and Linton, in the coal regions, have been explored and supplied with regular or occasional services. At Perth a legal Congregational society has been formed. A number of other points have been explored, and some of them will doubtless stand in need of the means of grace at our hands. Altogether we count about sixteen new centers of missionary work, including six county seats.

CONSERVATIVE POLICY.

In selecting suitable centers of work your committee have constantly had in mind the well-known motto, "*Festina lente*"—hasten slowly. Great moderation and caution has been exercised in the aggressive work. The new fields have been thoroughly explored, and their religious needs and prospects for sustaining a local church ascertained as far as possible.

Especial credit is due to the brethren for their cordial co-operation, their cheerful attendance upon councils, and their valued assistance in ascertaining appropriate fields for labor.

MISSIONARIES.

Nine missionaries have labored a whole or part of the year, a total of seventy months, in twenty-four churches and out-stations.

Rev. J. R. Preston has labored as a general missionary through the year with zeal and success, assisting in the gathering of churches and supplying vacant missionary churches. By reason of the strain upon his physical vigor, and other considerations, he has thought best to accept the urgent call of the Ontario and Lagrange county field, which has long waited for him.

These brethren have endured deprivations and made large sacrifices for the Master's sake. A home missionary's lot is not an easy one. He is called upon to deny himself, and he has many heavy crosses to bear. Our brethren toiling in these missionary fields, bravely toiling against odds to win souls to Jesus and establish churches in His name, are worthy of all honor. They ought to feel that we appreciate their labors; that we sympathize with them in their many difficulties, and that we pray for them as they, almost single-handed and alone, fight the battles of their Lord. They ought to receive our strongest moral support.

NEW BUILDINGS.

This year being one of forming nuclei of churches, but little as yet ready for report concerning material or property improvements. Hosmer, Gibson county, organized by Rev. Caleb Greene two years ago, is building a comfortable edifice costing about $1,000. Hebron has expended $300 in a central lot, whither they will remove their building. Eames has the frame of a church up, but work has ceased from lack of funds. Coal Bluff has pushed ahead. A comfortable parsonage is already completed, and the church edifice is well under way, and is to be dedicated in July. Ross is provided with a fine brick church, free from debt. The church also owns a small parsonage.

RECEIPTS.

The treasury of the A. H. M. S., the mother society, received for the fiscal year from Indiana $959.50 from collections, and $1,000 legacy, a total of $1,959.50. Last year the receipts from collections were $352.56, showing a gain of $606.94, and of $1,606.94 altogether. The collections this year averaged 45 cents per resident member.

The increase has been accomplished without detriment to the other branches of our work, through the skill and consecration of the faithful in our churches. A general interest has sprung up in the

COAL MINE MISSION,

among the religiously destitute miners, which has been blessed in calling forth precious gifts for the Master's sake.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION.

A movement of special promise, a portent of good for the dark places in our beloved state, is that which has culminated in the organization of W. H. M. unions in the Northern and Central Associations. Already our work is beginning to feel the throbbings of new life springing from it.

THE "HOME MISSIONARY."

It is with satisfaction that the Executive Committee note a greatly increased circulation of the *Home Missionary* in the families in our state. At the low rate at which it is furnished (only 60 cents a year), none should be without this valuable auxiliary in maintaining interest in our enlarging work. The W. H. M. U. has circulated freely the various tracts published by the A. H. M. S., with good results.

LABORERS SPARED.

The death angel, which ever hovers over mortal realms of activity, has, in God's gracious providence, passed us by. Though the family of Rev. W. W. Goodman, a former missionary (now retired), has been bereft of two daughters of the household, none of our workers have fallen. Other years will, doubtless, bring greater changes. Year by year, day by day, we can each do our appointed work, in the Master's name, and for His glory. "Striving not so much to serve Him well as please Him perfectly," trusting and obeying Him whose gifts are royal, and whose service is life. Respectfully submitted.

N. A. HYDE,
J. C. CROMER,
C. H. ROGERS,
L. P. ALDEN,
O. C. MCCULLOCH,
GEO. B. SAFFORD,
EDW. D. CURTIS,
Executive Committee.

MICHIGAN CITY, May 9, 1888.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. This society shall be called the "Home Missionary Society of Indiana."

ART. II. The object of this organization shall be to promote the interests of the Congregational churches of the state, especially by securing their more efficient co-operation in home missionary work.

ART. III. Any minister or delegate holding connection with the State Association shall be considered a member of this society.

ART. IV. The officers of this society shall be a President, Secretary and Treasurer. The President shall be elected by ballot for the term of two years; the Secretary of the society and the Treasurer shall be elected annually, *viva voce*.

PRESIDENT.

ART. V. The President shall preside at all the meetings of the society; shall act as President of the Executive Committee, hereinafter provided for, and perform other duties incident to that office.

SECRETARY.

ART. VI. The Secretary shall keep a record of all the proceedings of the society and Executive Committee, of all the applications of churches for aid, of the name and date of commission, of all the missionaries of the state and the amount granted each, and of the contributions of the churches to the A. H. M. S., as reported to him from time to time.

TREASURER.

ART. VII. The Treasurer shall receive and disburse all the funds of the society, under the direction of the Executive Committee, and make a report of the same to the society at their annual meetings.

ART. VIII. The society shall elect annually not more than five from their number, who, with the President, Secretary and Treasurer, shall constitute an Executive Committee, to whom all applications for aid to churches shall be submitted for their approval. This committee shall have supervision of all the missionary work in the state; it shall look especially after the interests of pastorless churches, furnishing them temporary supplies, and helping them to a permanent ministry whenever practicable. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to meet at least once a quarter to consult in regard to the work of the State Missionary, to act upon applications for aid, and to transact such other business as the best interests of missions in the state require. They shall, also, by their Secretary, report to the society, at its annual meetings, all their proceedings for approval.

ART. IX. This constitution may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of the society by a two-thirds vote of all the members present.

W. B. M. I.

The Indiana Branch of the Woman's Board of Missions for the Interior held its thirteenth annual meeting at Michigan City, May 10, 1888.

The meeting opened with devotional exercises, led by Mrs. A. K. Wray, of Kokomo.

The auxiliaries represented were connected with the following churches: Indianapolis (Mayflower), Terre Haute, Hebron, Kokomo, Fort Wayne, Elkhart, Michigan City.

Mrs. Haddock gave the address of welcome; Mrs. T. P. Sanborn responded.

The Treasurer's report showed the total of contributions to be $609.35.

Mrs. Burton, of Hebron, read a paper on "The Twin Sisters, Home and Foreign Missions."

A young ladies' meeting was held, conducted by Miss Wingate, of Chicago. A children's meeting was addressed by Mrs. Case, of Chicago.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

PRESIDENT—Mrs. E. M. Elder, Terre Haute.
SECRETARY—Miss Eliza B. Warren, Terre Haute.
TREASURER—Mrs. N. A. Hyde, Indianapolis.

W. H. M. U.

A State Woman's Home Missionary Union was organized at Michigan City, May 11, 1888.

The following officers were elected:

PRESIDENT—Mrs. C. H. Rogers, Michigan City.
FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT—Mrs. C. S. Warburton, Indianapolis.

SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT—Miss Bigelow, Elkhart.

VICE-PRESIDENT CENT. ASSO.—Mrs. A. J. Whitehead, Indianapolis.

SECRETARY—Mrs. W. E. Mossman, Fort Wayne.

TREASURER—Mrs. L. F. Perdue, Terre Haute.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

N. A. HYDE,

In account with the Gen. Association of Indiana:

1888.		DR.	
May 11.	Received from church at	Elkhart	$4 76
	" " "	Fort Wayne	4 88
	" " "	Hebron	80
	" " "	Hobart	1 28
	" " "	Indianapolis—Plymouth	13 00
	" " "	" Mayflower	5 60
	" " "	Kokomo	4 20
	" " "	Liber	1 48
	" " "	Macksville	3 28
	" " "	Michigan City	3 76
	" " "	Ontario	2 52
	" " "	Orland	3 28
	" " "	Portland	88
	" " "	Ross	80
	" " "	Terre Haute	12 68
	Total		$63 20
	Deficit		5 42

1888.	CR.	
June.	Due the Treasurer, on last account	$ 4 57
	C. H. Rogers, printing and mailing programs	4 50
	Three hundred Minutes	30 00
	Treasurer of National Council	29 55
		$68 62

DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

[Three churches in other States, one in Michigan, one in Ohio, and one in Illinois, belong to Associations in Indiana.]

NORTHERN ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	*Clerk of Church.*	*Sup't of Sunday-school.*
Andrews	Thomas Newham	
Angola	F. E. Knopf	F. E. Knopf.
Bremen	Samuel Knoblock	Moses Keyser.
Elkhart	A. P. Kent	A. P. Kent.
East Gilead, Mich	W. T. Ammerman	John Wilkins.
Ft. Wayne, Plymouth	P. L. Potter	W. V. Douglass.
Fremont	Mrs. S. L. Holcomb	M. V. Garn.
Hammond		
Hebron	A. Blanchard	Charles Sherwood.
Hobart	Emil Stetow	Abel Wood.
Jamestown	L. P. Persing	L. P. Persing.
Marion		
Michigan City	W. R. Corbin	J. C. Haddock.
Ontario	J. G. Scott	J. G. Scott.
Orland	W. J. Case	Milton L. Rose.
Portland	J. W. Bishop	
Ross		

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Beech Wood	Jasper Trueblood	D. W. Youstler.
Cardonia	Rob't Fisher	Edward Wilton.
Cedar Wood	Wm. Denbo	Fred. Blume.
Central	J. H. Lohmeyer	Benj. Pearson.
Coal Bluff		
Ind'apolis, Plymouth	Miss Anna Taylor	Samuel P. Porter.
Ind'apolis, Mayflower	Dr. W. S. Rawls	John P. Scott.
Kokomo	J. H. Matthias	C. F. Houghton.
Lanesville	Wm. Thomas	
Liber	H. J. Votaw	Benj. L. Weber.
Macksville	Asbury Childers	L. F. Perdue.
Mauckport	B. F. Rissler	
Peru		
Pisgah, Ohio	G. W. Krenning	E. T. Hastings.
Solsberry	H. M. Elliott	L. C. Frame.
Terre Haute. First	Chas. B. Brokaw	Chas. C. Oakey.
Vigo, South	Robert Smith	H. T. Macklin.
Westchester	Samuel Gierhart	Lewis Metzner.

EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN INDIANA.

Eames	Orna Condiet	Edwin D. Gee.
Hart Township	C. C. Caswell	
Hosmer	Mary E. Taylor	Nath'l Shilts.
Montgomery	Wm. McCullough	
Olive, Illinois	Oscar Curtis	Saywell Perkins.
Pleasant Grove	Rev. L. Wilson	

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1887.

CHURCHES.	Organized	MINISTERS.	Ordained	Commenced	Members, Jan'y 1, 1888.				Additions.			Removals.				Baptisms		Families	Sunday-school	CONTRIBUTIONS.						Home Expenditures.
					Male	Female	Total	Absent	Profession	Letter	Total	Deaths	Dism'ls'ns.	Discipline	Total	Adults	Infants			Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Ch. Bld'gs.	Freedmen	Other Causes.	Total	
Andrews	1883	Van Ommeren *p*		1887	3	9	12	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0
Angola	1869	[F. P. Knopf, *Lic.*]		1887	7	36	43	10	4	4	8	1	3	11	15	0	0		65	11	0	0	0	0	11	
Beachwood *a*	1884	Jasper Trueblood *p*	1878	1884	8	15	23	0	15	0	15	0	0	0	0	7	1		55	3	0	3	0	0	6	202
Bremen	1874	Horace B. Knight *p*	1844	1887	8	24	32	7	0	3	3	0	2	0	2	0	2		117	2	5	0	0	20	27	
Cardonia	1879	Charles Evans *p*	1873	1887	9	17	26	5	3	2	5	4	1	14	19	10	8	33	257	0	0	22	0	20	42	131
Cedarwood	1881	Jasper Trueblood *p*	1878	1882	25	22	47	0	9	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	0		45	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Central	1881	Jasper Trueblood *p*	1878	1881	27	35	62	0	15	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	0		50	5	0	3	0	1	9	300
Eames *b*	1887				3	9	12	0	12	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Elkhart	1869	George B. Safford *p c*	1858	1887	33	84	117	11	6	10	16	2	4	3	9	3	6	100	150	0	67	12	0	65	144	1542
Fort Wayne	1870	Jeremiah C. Cromer *p c*	1885	1886	40	89	129	23	22	8	30	2	11	4	17	6	9	60	160	70	61	0	54	77	262	2100
Fremont	1874	J. R. Preston	1865	1888	10	29	39	1	2	4	6	0	0	0	0	1	2	35	80	9	8	6		12	35	384
Hammond	1887	[Wm. W. Lineberry, *Meth.*]		1887	6	8	14																			
Hart *c*	1856	Lewis Wilson *p*	1849	1857	7	7	14	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		60	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Hebron	1882	David W. Andrews *p*	1877	1885	12	26	38	4	3	5	8	0	0	0	0	1	0	12	40	15	10	0	0	20	45	200
Hobart	1885	David W. Andrews *p*	1877	1885	19	19	38	0	4	2	6	0	1	0	1	1	3	20	50	12	6	0	0	3	21	130
Hosmer *d*	1887	Caleb Greene *p*	1880	1887	5	9	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	70	0	0	0	0	0	0	300
Indianapolis, Ply'th	1857	Oscar C. McCulloch *p*	1870	1877	90	197	287	49	29	14	43	2	13	0	15	0	0	250	225	0	0	0	0	1000	1000	6000
" Mayflower	1869	Nathaniel A. Hyde *p*	1858	1872	54	118	172	34	0	10	10	1	6	0	7	0	7	100	200	50	117	20	0	146	333	1250
Jamestown *e*	1872	[F. W. Brown, *F. W. B.*]	1887	1888	9	11	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		70	7	0	0	0	0	7	100

Kokomo	1863	Alfred K. Wray *p*	1880	1887	34	90	124	23	1	2	3	0	7	0	7	0	1	.....	125	6	15	0	0	0	21	1500
Lanesville	1876		.....	.....	10	5	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.....	.....	10	0	0	0	0	10	.....
Liber	1854	Daniel N. Hartley *p*	1887	1887	22	25	47	10	15	2	17	0	2	0	2	2	0	.....	125	7	10	0	0	0	17	150
Macksville	1885	[William Law, *Lic.*]	.....	1888	24	58	82	21	42	23	65	1	2	0	3	27	2	125	125	4	2	3	3	70	82	260
Mauckport	1885	Jasper Trueblood *p*	1878	1884	12	18	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	...	.....	3	0	0	0	0	3	40
Michigan City	1835	Charles H. Rogers *p*	1877	1886	31	107	138	35	14	10	24	2	7	0	9	13	1	50	300	110	114	57	52	42	375	2265
Montgomery	1852	Lewis Wilson *p*	1849	1856	6	15	21	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.....	.....	11	0	0	0	0	11	.....
Ontario	1840		.....	.....	24	46	70	9	40	4	44	0	1	0	1	27	0	.....	75	4	7	0	0	0	11	184
Orland	1836		.....	.....	28	62	90	8	23	0	23	1	1	0	2	7	1	.....	82	31	13	.....	0	0	44	650
Peru	1877		.....	.....	10	15	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Grove *f*	1855	Levin Wilson	1849	1855	1	4	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Portland	1887	[Fred Stovenour, *F. W. B.*]	1861	1887	9	10	19	0	7	12	19	0	0	0	0	1	0	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Solsberry	1868		.....	.....	36	47	83	19	9	0	9	0	0	0	0	4	0	.....	135	7	0	0	0	10	17	50
Terre Haute	1834	M. Angelo Dougherty *p*	1869	1887	105	184	289	38	2	2	4	1	11	0	12	1	0	150	291	121	235	0	30	282	668	3612
Vigo, South *g*	1854	[William Law, *Lic.*]	.....	1887	19	27	46	11	4	0	4	0	3	0	3	4	0	11	30	6	0	0	1	0	7	50
Westchester	1861	Daniel N. Hartley	1887	1887	20	32	52	5	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	.....	60	4	0	0	0	0	4	.....
		Total	.....	.....	766	1509	2275	345	286	117	408	17	75	32	124	115	43	970	3077	$508	$670	$126	$140	$1768	$3212	$21350

CHURCHES IN OTHER STATES CONNECTED WITH THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF INDIANA.

East Gilead, Mich.	1865	L. Curtis	1856	1885	13	17	30	7	0	2	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	.....	60	$ 14	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 14	$ 140
Olive, Ill. *h*	1879	Saywell Perkins	1860	1885	11	17	28	3	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	.....	47	12	0	0	0	0	12	100
Pisgah, O. *i*	1854	M. W. Diggs	1857	1863	22	24	46	6	2	1	4	1	5	0	6	2	0	18	50	26	17	10	0	0	53	260
			.....	.....	46	58	104	16	3	4	8	1	6	0	7	3	1	18	157	$ 52	$ 17	$ 10	$ 0	$ 0	$ 79	$ 500

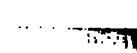
a Amsterdam p. o. *b* Tennyson p. o. *c* Oakland City p. o. *d* Glezen p. o. *e* Crooked Creek p. o. *f* Cynthiana p. o. *g* Macksville p. o. *h* Albion p. o. *i* Fort Recovery. Churches have been organized since Jan. 1 at Coal Bluff (Rev. Jas. Hayes, Pastor); Ross, Lake Co.; Marion, Grant Co.

CHANGES.—*Added:* Eames, Hammond, Hosmer and Portland. *Omitted:* Central Union and Vigo, West. Thirty-five churches.

MINISTERS,

AND THEIR POST-OFFICES.

Andrews, David W., Hebron.
Cromer, Jere C., Fort Wayne.
Curtis, Edward D., Indianapolis.
Curtis, Leander, East Gilead, Branch county, Michigan.
Diggs, Marshall W., Fort Recovery, Mercer county, Ohio.
Dougherty, M. Angelo, Terre Haute.
Evans, Charles, Brazil.
Goodman, William W., Macksville, Vigo county.
Greene, Caleb, Oakland City, Gibson county.
Hartly, Daniel N., Liber, Jay county.
Hayes, James, Coal Bluff, Clay county.
Hyde, Nathaniel A., Indianapolis.
Knight, Horace B., Bremen, Marshall county.
Knopf, F. E., Angola.
Lineberry, Wm. W., Hammond.
McCormick, Thomas B., Princeton, Gibson county.
McCulloch, Oscar C., Indianapolis.
Perkins, Saywell, Grayville, White county, Illinois.
Preston, Jared R., Fremont, Steuben county.
Rogers, Charles H., Michigan City.
Safford, George B., Elkhart.
Trueblood, Jasper, Mauckport, Harrison county.
Van Ommeren, Andrews.
Warburton, Charles S., Indianapolis.
Wilson, Levin, Cynthiana, Posey county.
Wilson, Lewis, Oakland City, Gibson county.
Wray, Alfred K., Kokomo.



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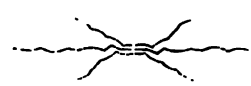

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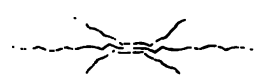

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MINUTES

OF THE

ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

GENERAL ASSOCIATION

OF

Congregational Churches

AND

MINISTERS OF INDIANA,

HELD WITH PLYMOUTH CHURCH, INDIANAPOLIS.

MAY 8-10, 1889.

REPORT

OF THE NINTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE

HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

OF INDIANA.

INDIANAPOLIS:
CARLON & HOLLENBECK, PRINTERS.
1889.

OFFICERS OF ASSOCIATION.

MODERATOR,

REV. CHARLES H. ROGERS, - - - - MICHIGAN CITY.

SCRIBE,

REV. EDWARD D. CURTIS, - - - - INDIANAPOLIS.

SECRETARY AND TREASURER,

REV. N. A. HYDE, D. D., - - - - - INDIANAPOLIS.

The next annual meeting will be held with the First Congregational Church, of Terre Haute, commencing Wednesday, May 14, 1890, at 7:30 P. M.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. This Association shall be called "The General Association of the Congregational Churches and Ministers of Indiana."

ART. II. This Association shall not exercise any judicial authority over the ministers and churches belonging to it, but its object shall be to promote Christian love and fellowship among its members; to obtain and disseminate religious information relative to the churches throughout our state, our country, and the world, and to strive together in prayers and counsels and faithful efforts to advance the cause of truth and holiness. It shall hold annual meetings.

ART. III. Evangelical churches of the Congregational order may each be represented by its pastor and three delegates, and any minister shall be entitled to a seat in this body, provided that such churches or ministers shall have first joined the District Association within whose bounds they are located, and all members of constituent churches who may be in attendance at any meeting of this Association shall be permitted to share in all its sessions, but without the responsibility of voting.

ART. IV. At least one sermon shall be preached at each annual meeting, and the preacher shall be appointed at the previous meeting.

ART. V. At each annual meeting each church is expected to furnish, by its pastor, delegates, or otherwise, a written statistical report of the number of members, male and female; additions during the last year, by profession and by letter; removals by dismissal, death or excommunication; baptisms, adult or infant; Sabbath-school teachers and scholars; contributions to benevolent objects.

ART. VI. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator and Scribe, elected annually by ballot, and a Secretary, elected triennially by ballot, who shall be, *ex officio*, the Treasurer of the Association.

ART. VII. It shall be the duty of the Scribe to keep full and accurate minutes of the transaction of the Association, and, after they have been adopted, to place them in the hands of the Secretary.

ART. VIII. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to give due notice, through the public papers, of the time and place of each meeting; to read the Rules of the Association at the opening session; carefully to record such parts of the minutes of each meeting as may not be printed; to receive statistical reports from the churches, and prepare the same for publication; to send a notice to all the Scribes of local Associations, not more than three months or less than one month before the annual

meeting of the State Association, that they are expected to present a written report to the meeting of the state of religion within their bounds; to receive and distribute publications presented to the Association, and to preserve for the Association all communications addressed to it. As Treasurer, he shall have charge of all moneys belonging to the Association, and shall disburse the same as the Association shall direct. He shall, annually, present a report of the state of the treasury, and also state the sum, in his opinion, necessary to be raised for the ensuing year.

ART. IX. Five members will be requisite to form a quorum for the transaction of business; but for opening and adjourning the meeting a less number shall be competent.

ART. X. The annual meeting of this Association shall be held on the second Wednesday of May, commencing at 7:30 o'clock P. M., and shall remain in session until the ensuing Friday evening.

ART. XI. This constitution may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of the Association by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS.

1. Every daily session shall open with prayer and close with prayer and benediction.

2. Statistical reports shall be written and filed with the Secretary.

3. Ministers in good standing, connected with other bodies of Evangelical Christians, may be invited to sit as Corresponding Delegates.

4. Delegates presenting themselves for seats in the Association shall present satisfactory evidence that they have authority from the churches to represent the same.

5. Unfinished business shall ordinarily occupy the attention of the Association before new subjects are introduced.

6. Resolutions should be committed to writing, and motions be seconded, and repeated by the Moderator, or read aloud, before they are open to debate.

7. Any member personally present at the annual meeting of any corresponding body is authorized to represent this Association in the failure of the regularly appointed delegate, and a copy of this by-law shall be his credentials.

8. An assessment shall be asked by the Secretary from the churches sufficient to provide for printing and circulating the Minutes and other incidental expenses.

MINUTES.

The thirty-first annual meeting of the Congregational Churches and Ministers of Indiana was held with the Plymouth Congregational Church of Indianapolis, May 8–10, 1889.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAY 8.

Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., presided. The opening sermon was preached by Rev. Einion C. Evans, pastor of Mayflower Congregational Church of Indianapolis, at 7:45 P. M., from Matthew xi, 2–5.

Rev. G. B. Safford, D. D., Rev. L. H. Cobb, D. D., and Rev. C. H. Rogers assisted in the services.

Adjourned until Thursday morning.

THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 9.

At 9 o'clock the Association engaged in devotional exercises, led by Prof. R. A. Jernberg, of Chicago Seminary.

At 9:30 Rev. A. K. Wray, of Kokomo, the retiring Moderator, called the Association to order.

Rev. E. D. Curtis acted as temporary Scribe.

On motion the Scribe was instructed to cast the ballot of the Association for Rev. C. H. Rogers, of Michigan City, as Moderator. The acting Scribe was elected permanent Scribe. The Moderator led the Association in prayer for Divine guidance.

The roll of pastors and delegates, when completed, was as follows:

NORTHERN ASSOCIATION.

Bremen—Rev. Charles I. Taylor, Pastor.

Elkhart—Rev. George B. Safford, D. D., Pastor; Mrs.

Mary P. Safford, Mr. D. F. Coe, Mrs. D. F. Coe, Mrs. H. F. Smith, Mr. A. P. Kent.

Fort Wayne—Rev. Jere. C. Cromer, Pastor; Mr. John Gilbert, Mrs. J. C. Cromer, Mrs. W. E. Mossman, Mrs. John Gilbert.

Hebron—Deacon Charles Sherwood, Mrs. John Burton.

Michigan City—Rev. C. H. Rogers, Pastor; J. C. Haddock.

Marion—Rev. W. H. Williams, Pastor.

Orland—Rev. Edwin Rose, Pastor; Mrs. E. Rose.

Portland—Rev. Jacob D. Shults, Pastor; J. E. Bishop, Jonas Votaw.

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Beechwood—Rev. Nathaniel A. Bleakley, Pastor; David W. Youtsler.

Central—Rev. N. A Bleakley, Pastor.

Coal Bluff—Rev. James Hayes, Pastor; Thomas Roe, Mrs. J. Hayes.

Cardonia—Rev. James Hayes, Pastor.

Indianapolis, Plymouth Church—Rev. Oscar C. McCulloch, Pastor; Deacon H. S. Rockey, Deacon A. G. Willard, Mrs. O. C. McCulloch, Prof. W. A. Bell.

Indianapolis, Mayflower Church—Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., Pastor Emeritus; Rev. E. C. Evans, Pastor; Deacon J. R. Irving, Deacon T. P. Sanborn, Mr. John Scott.

Kokomo—Rev. Albert R. Wray, Pastor; Mr. P. E. Hoss, Mrs. Esther Goodbarne, Mrs. C. E. Rutledge, Mrs. H. C. Davis, Mrs. J. W. Barnes, Mrs. O. B. Darby, Mrs. M. E. Sterling, Mrs. Norah McDowell, Miss May McReynolds, Miss D. O. Rutledge.

Liber—Rev. Jacob D. Shults, Pastor.

Mauckport—Rev. N. A. Bleakley, Pastor.

Perth—Rev. James Hayes, Pastor.

Terre Haute—Prof. L. P. Alden, Mrs. L. P. Alden, Mr. Thomas H. Hite, Mrs. L. D. Thomas, Mrs. S. P. Yates, Mrs. Dr. W. R. Elder, Mrs. Charles Fuller, Miss Eliza B. Warren, Miss Blossom Paige, Miss May Cook, Miss Agnes Parker, Mrs. Mary Weiss.

OTHER MINISTERS.

Rev. Edward D. Curtis, Indianapolis.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

Rev. Levi H. Cobb, D. D., Secretary American Congregational Union, New York.

Rev. D. M. Brown, M. E., Knightstown, Indiana.

Prof. R. A. Jernberg, Chicago Theological Seminary.

Rev. W. A. Hendrickson, Indianapolis Presbytery.

Rev. S. J. Humphrey, D. D., Dist. Secretary A. B. C. F. M., Chicago.

Rev. E. A. Fredenhagen, Chicago Seminary.

Rev. Wm. Kincaid, D. D., Secretary American Home Miss. Society, New York.

Rev. J. E. Roy, D. D., Dist. Secretary American Miss. Association, Chicago.

Rev. W. F. McMillan, S. S. Supt. for Ohio and Indiana, Cleveland.

Miss Millie A. Hand, Teacher of New West School, Heber, Utah.

COMMITTEES.

The following committees were announced by the Moderator:

On Business—Rev. O. C. McCulloch, Rev. A. K. Wray.

On Finance—J. E. Bishop, Esq., N. A. Hyde, D. D., J. C. Haddock.

On Time and Place—Rev. A. K. Wray, Deacon Charles Sherwood, Prof. W. A. Bell.

On Resolutions—George B. Safford, D. D., Rev. E. C. Evans, John Gilbert, Esq.

On Nomination of Delegate to National Convention—Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., Rev. J. C. Cromer, J. E. Bishop.

At 10:15 the Association took up the regular order, which was Reports from the Churches. These were verbal, and indicated a hopeful degree of general prosperity and several instances of marked blessing.

Adjourned at 11:30 to permit the council to meet, called with reference to the dissolution of the Fort Wayne pastorate.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

Association convened at 2 P. M.

On recommendation of the Business Committee, the regular order of the afternoon was taken up, to wit: "The Church and the Children."

Rev. A. K. Wray led in an address upon Sunday-school work in the State, introducing the subject of the appointment of a State Sunday-school superintendent for the consideration of the Association. The address was followed by an informal discussion.

At 2:30 P. M. Prof. L. P. Alden, of Terre Haute, read a paper on the subject, "Sunday-school Work in the Local Church." The subject was continued with addresses by Messrs. O. C. McCulloch, N. A. Hyde, A. K. Wray, Edwin Rose and W. A. Bell.

At 3 P. M. Rev. J. C. Cromer delivered an extemporaneous essay upon the work of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor, after which, with a recess of five minutes, Mr. J. C. Haddock read a paper on "The Children in the Church." The latter theme was discussed by Rev. George B. Safford.

At 4 P. M., upon recommendation of the Business Committee, Prof. R. A. Jernberg presented the work and claims of Chicago Seminary in a ten minutes' address.

The Committee on Delegate to the National Council then reported. The majority report, made by Rev. J. C. Cromer, presented the name of Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D. The minority report, made by Dr. Hyde, presented the name of Rev. George B. Safford, D. D. The majority report was accepted, and Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., was elected as delegate to the National Council of the Congregational Churches of the United States at its seventh triennial session in the Plymouth Church, Worcester, Mass., Wednesday, October 9, 1889. Prof. W. A. Bell was elected alternate.

THURSDAY EVENING, MAY 9.

According to the published programme, this evening was given up to a public reception in Plymouth Church, and shared in by the entertaining church, Mayflower Church and the visiting delegates and pastors. It was held in the ample parlors of the church. Pastor O. C. McCulloch presided. Songs were sung. There was an address of welcome by the pastor in behalf of the church. Suitable responses were made by Rev. G. B. Safford, D. D., and Rev. Charles H. Rogers. Rev. N. A. Hyde made an address upon the early history of Congregationalism in Indiana, and Dr. S. J. Humphrey and L. H. Cobb, D. D., presented the greetings of the brethren abroad. There was time for social acquaintance, and refreshments were served by the ladies of Plymouth Church.

FRIDAY MORNING, MAY 10.

At 9 A. M. the Association was led in morning devotions

by Rev. E. C. Evans, after which the order of business was taken up.

The Committee on Resolutions, through Rev. G. B. Safford, Chairman, introduced the following:

Resolved, That we amend the Constitution by adding to Article III the following: "And all members of constituent churches who may be in attendance at any meeting of this Association shall be permitted to share in all its sessions, but without the responsibility of voting."

Carried.

In behalf of the Business Committee, Rev. A. K. Wray reported that the officers of the New York, St. Louis and Chicago Railway offered to provide Congregational ministers of the State of Indiana with half fare "clergyman's permits" should application be made in proper form. Mr. Wray moved the acceptance of this offer with thanks, and that Rev. E. D. Curtis, Scribe of the Association, be instructed to furnish such credentials as the ministers need to secure the courtesy extended them. Carried.

The Committee on Time and Place reported no invitations to entertain the Association in 1890, whereupon Kokomo Church, through its pastor, and Terre Haute First Church, through Prof. L. P. Alden, extended an invitation.

The Committee on Finance reported the following resolution through J. E. Bishop, Esq., Chairman:

Your Finance Committee begs leave to submit its report and recommends an assessment of five cents per capita on resident membership.

Carried.

The Treasurer of the General Association submitted his annual report which was accepted.

Certain changes in the programme recommended by the Business Committee were adopted.

At 10 A. M. Rev. C. H. Rogers read a paper on "The Church as a Home and the Church in the Home.

Dr. Safford spoke upon the same subject.

At 10:30 A. M. the Association listened to an essay by

Prof. W. A. Bell, editor of the *Indiana School Journal*, upon "Special Educational Work," which was discussed by Rev. Wm. Kincaid, D. D., and Hon. Jonas Votaw.

At 11 A. M. Rev. W. H. Williams read a paper on "Mid-week Services." Prof. L. P. Alden and Rev. E. D. Curtis followed with some discussion of the theme.

At 11:30 Rev. Geo. B. Safford spoke upon "Co-operation with other churches. The topic was discussed by Rev. E. C. Evans, S. J. Humphrey, D. D., and W. A. Bell.

Adjourned till 2 P. M.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 10.

From 2 P. M. to 3 P. M. the Association resolved itself into the annual meeting of the Indiana Home Missionary Society, for the record of which see page 13.

At 3 P. M. the Association took up the order of business, Rev. A. K. Wray in the chair.

The Committee on Resolutions introduced, through Dr. Safford, Chairman, the following:

Resolved by the General Association of the Congregational Churches and Ministers of Indiana, That we do hereby record our glad acknowledgment of the hearty and bountiful hospitality of the Plymouth Church of Indianapolis; that we shall cherish in grateful memory the share which for a few days we have enjoyed in the social Christian life of the Church; that we congratulate the Church on its various and abundant equipment for Christian work; and that we look forward in prayerful hope to the increasing and widening Christian life and work of the Church.

The resolution was adopted by a rising vote.

The Committee on Time and Place reported through Rev. A. K. Wray, Chairman, recommending that the Association accept the offered hospitality of the First Church of Terre Haute for the session in May, 1890. Carried.

The Moderator announced as Committee on Programme for the next meeting, Rev. J. H. Crum, Rev. E. C. Evans and Prof. L. P. Alden.

On motion of O. C. McCulloch, the Association invited

Rev. J. H. Crum to preach the next Associational sermon, with power in the Programme Committee to supply any vacancy.

At 3:10 the Rev. Wm. Kincaid, D. D., of New York, addressed the Association on the work of the American Home Missionary Society.

Rev. A. K. Wray and Rev. W. F. McMillan followed, presenting the work and claims of the Congregational Sunday-school and Publishing Society.

It was moved and carried to refer the matter of a Sunday-school superintendent for Indiana to the Executive Committee of the Indiana Home Missionary Society.

At 4 P. M. Rev. Levi H. Cobb, D. D., engaged the attention of the Association with reference to the work of the American Congregational Union. He was followed by Dr. Hyde in a plea for a more adequate support of this Society.

The Association, upon motion of Rev. E. C. Evans, unanimously voted to endeavor to raise at least fifty cents per resident member of the churches for Home Missions for the coming year.

Adjourned until evening.

FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 10.

A considerable congregation gathered in the main auditorium of Plymouth Church for the closing session. Addresses were made by Miss Nellie A. Hand upon the work of the "New West Education Commission," and by Dr. S. J. Humphrey upon Foreign Missions, after which Dr. J. E. Roy, of Chicago, gave an illustrated lecture upon "Educational Work in the South."

The Association then adjourned *sine die*.

C. H. ROGERS, *Moderator.*
E. D. CURTIS, *Scribe.*

HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF INDIANA.

NINTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The ninth annual meeting of the Home Missionary Society of Indiana was held in Plymouth Church, Indianapolis, Friday, May 10, 1889, at 2 P. M.

The Society was called to order by the President, Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., who led in prayer.

The report of the Executive Committee for the year ending March 31, was submitted to the Society by Rev. E. D. Curtis, Secretary, who was also chosen Scribe of the meeting. The report was adopted.

The Society voted, upon motion, that the Secretary should hereafter perform the duties of Treasurer.

Rev. E. C. Evans moved that the President appoint a nominating committee of three, whose duty it shall be to present a list of names for officers of the Society for the ensuing year. Carried.

The President appointed as such committee Revs. James Hayes, Mr. John Scott and Mr. J. C. Haddock.

The committee reported the names of the following gentlemen for officers of the Society and they were elected by the Society, the President, Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., having been elected in 1888 for a term of two years:

Rev. E. D. Curtis, Secretary and Treasurer.

Executive Committee—Rev. O. C. McCulloch, Rev. E. C. Evans, Rev. C. H. Rogers, Prof. L. P. Alden, Rev. G. B. Safford, D. D., Rev. A. K. Wray.

It was moved and carried that Prof. W. A. Bell and J. C. Haddock be appointed Auditors.

Adjourned. REV. N. A. HYDE, D. D.,

E. D. CURTIS, *Scribe.* *President.*

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1889.

By Rev. E. D. Curtis, *Secretary.*

The Executive Committee of the Indiana Home Missionary Society desire to submit their ninth annual report, giving a brief summary of the business transacted by them in behalf of the Society since the last annual meeting. Five sessions of the Committee have been held. One at Michigan City, one at Fairmount, one at Marion, and two at the residence of the President of the Society, in Indianapolis. In addition, considerable correspondence has been carried on respecting the details of the Society's work.

In this way the somewhat scattered fields of labor have been kept under review, their needs considered, and such assistance as seemed practicable has been extended to them.

Attention has been given also to the aggressive work of the Society. Possible openings for effort in the more immediate vicinity of our established fields, and in the natural gas territory, in the eastern section of the State, have called for the time and thought of the Committee.

Endeavors have been made also to devise means to improve the finances of the Society.

Altogether it has been a year of anxiety respecting newly opened fields, much planning for their prosperity, fidelity upon the part of the laborers in the field, and spiritual blessings to the feeble churches.

We have, since the last annual meeting of the Society, recommended aid to the different churches, as follows:

Hobart and Ross, $200 for twelve months.

Hebron, $62.50 for three months.

Hammond, $200 for six months.

Bremen, $200 for twelve months.

Jamestown and East Gilead, $175 for twelve months.

Fairmount, $249 for four and one-half months.

Macksville and South Vigo, $104.50 for four and one-half months.

Andrews, $590 for fourteen months.

Mauckport Central, Beechwood and Cedarwood, $200 for twelve months.

Solsberry, $175 for twelve months.

Marion, $400 for six months.

Coal Bluff, Perth and Cardonia, $400 for twelve months.

Muncie, $400 for twelve months.

Liber and Portland, $350 for twelve months.

Fort Recovery, Ohio, $125 for twelve months.

Tremont and Ontario, $230 for ten and one-half months.

Angola and Pleasant Lake, $150 for twelve months.

The total number of churches aided is twenty-seven.

The Committee has during the year recommended appropriations for student's work and preliminary labor in newly occupied fields to the amount of $620.03.

The contributions received from the State by the American Home Missionary Society have been:

From eight self-supporting churches	$206 00
From thirty aided churches and stations	238 56
From Woman's Home Miss. Unions	90 01
Total receipts	$534 57

The work among the churches has gone forward hopefully during the year. Five new churches have been organized and are now in the enjoyment of the regular means of grace. *Marion* was organized in April, with twelve members; *Fairmount*, June 19, with nine members; *Muncie*, July 15, with fifteen members; *Perth*, February 22, 1889, with thirteen members, and *Lake Gage*, March 17, with eleven members, making a total of sixty members. In nearly every case the new churches have since received considerable additions.

Two new houses of worship have been dedicated during the year. Coal Bluff Church, on October 8, occupied for the first time a neat and commodious edifice, which cost with the adjacent parsonage about $2,000.

Hosmer, Pike county, dedicated December 2 an attractive Congregational Church edifice which had cost about $1,100, amid great rejoicing. The superintendent of Home Missions led the people in raising the amount necessary to dedicate the church clear of all incumbrance except the obligation to the American Congregational Union. Hebron Church, girding itself for the effort, has purchased a central lot, removed the church to its new location, and thoroughly repaired it. The quaint old college chapel and meeting-house at Liber has been remodeled into a modern house of worship. Hammond Church has erected a temporary chapel. The real estate of the Home Mission churches has increased about $7,000 during the year.

Rev. Thomas R. Egerton, a licentiate of the Northern Indiana Congregational Association, was ordained to the gospel ministry by a council called by the East Gilead Church in February.

The following ministers have closed their pastorates and, with one exception, take work outside the State:

Self-supporting Churches—Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., Mayflower Church, Indianapolis, retires from a pastorate of sixteen years to become Pastor Emeritus; Rev. M. Angelo Dougherty resigns the pastorate at Terre Haute First Church.

Aided Churches—Rev. Wm. W. Lineberry, Hammond; Rev. Charles Evans, Cardonia; Rev. Jasper Trueblood, Mauckport; Rev. H. B. Knight, Bremen, and Rev. H. Van Omeren, Andrews.

The following ministers have assumed pastorates during the year in Indiana self-supporting churches:

Rev. Edwin Rose, Orland; Rev. E. C. Evans, Mayflower, Indianapolis.

Aided churches:

Rev. John Harden, Hammond; Rev. Charles I. Taylor, Bremen; Rev. T. R. Egerton, Jamestown and East Gilead; Rev. W. H. Williams, Marion; Rev. Wm. Wiedenhoeft, Fairmount; Rev. Jacob D. Shults, Liber and Portland; Rev. N. A. Bleakley, Mauckport Central and Beechwood; Rev. James B. Hughes, Solsberry.

The following candidates for the ministry have taken up work in the State:

Mr. Wm. G. Law, in Macksville and South Vigo; Mr. Thomas Roe as assistant of Rev. James Hayes in the Coal Mine Mission; Mr. James B. Orr in Hebron, and Mr. Charles G. Sharp in Muncie.

Total of both classes, 14.

Theological students labored during the summer as follows:

From Yale Seminary, Mr. Wm. Wiedenhoeft, at Fairmount; from Oberlin Seminary, Mr. James B. Hughes, at Liber; from Chicago Seminary, Mr. E. A. Fredenhagen, at Marion, and Mr. M. Ashley Ball at Macksville and South Vigo. Total, 4.

The total number of aided churches and regular preaching stations is thirty-eight.

Several of the new churches are engaged in building. New edifices are under way at Fairmount and Tennyson, while Marion, Andrews, Hammond and others have procured lots and hope to build this season.

Large ingatherings in the churches have been a marked feature of the winter months. About 170 additions to missionary churches have been reported since the week of prayer. Hebron has received 5; Liber, 12; Hobart, 32; Coal Bluff, 28; Andrews, Bremen, Ontario, Fremont and Angola, and others, have shared in the blessing.

The organization of Societies of Christian Endeavor in a number of the smaller churches has greatly stimulated religious interest among the young people. At Bremen the young society reports great progress, forty members and much activity. Other instances equally prove the power for good in this modern method of evangelizing the growing life in our country.

The Woman's Home Missionary Unions have labored with great assiduity in assisting the work of home evangelization. Their gifts to the American Congregational Union in aid of the effort to provide our

new and feeble churches with houses of worship and to the Coal Mine Mission in support of the Rev. James Hayes, have greatly aided the work.

A gracious Providence has given to the work of the Society immunity from disaster and death. None of the workers have fallen. It is our period of life, hope and cheer. The seed of past sowings in trial and tears is springing up, and the possible fruitage enlivens our hopes, kindles our enthusiasm and leads us to larger consecrations in the great work of State Evangelization. The watchword is still "Forward."

Respectfully submitted. Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., *President.*
L. F. Purdue.
J. C. Cromer.
O. C. McCulloch.
Geo. B. Safford, D. D.
Charles H. Rogers.
A. K. Wray.

Indianapolis, May 10, 1889. E. D. Curtis, *Secretary.*

CONSTITUTION.

Article I. This society shall be called the "Home Missionary Society of Indiana."

Art. II. The object of this organization shall be to promote the interests of the Congregational churches of the state, especially by securing their more efficient co-operation in home missionary work.

Art. III. Any minister or delegate holding connection with the State Association shall be considered a member of this society.

Art. IV. The officers of this society shall be a President, Secretary and Treasurer. The President shall be elected by ballot for the term of two years; the Secretary of the society and the Treasurer shall be elected annually, *viva voce.*

PRESIDENT.

Art. V. The President shall preside at all the meetings of the society; shall act as President of the Executive Committee, hereinafter provided for, and perform other duties incident to that office.

SECRETARY.

Art. VI. The Secretary shall keep a record of all the proceedings of the society and Executive Committees, of all the applications of churches for aid, of the name and date of commission, of all the missionaries of

the state and the amount granted each, and of the contributions of the churches to the A. H. M. S., as reported to him from time to time.

TREASURER.

ART. VII. The Treasurer shall receive and disburse all the funds of the society, under the direction of the Executive Committee, and make a report of the same to the society at their annual meetings.

ART. VIII. The society shall elect annually not more than five from their number, who, with the President, Secretary and Treasurer, shall constitute an Executive Committee, to whom all applications for aid to churches shall be submitted for their approval. This committee shall have supervision of all the missionary work in the state; it shall look especially after the interests of pastorless churches, furnishing them temporary supplies, and helping them to a permanent ministry whenever practicable. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to meet at least once a quarter to consult in regard to the work of the State Missionary, to act upon applications for aid, and to transact such other business as the best interests of missions in the state require. They shall, also, by their Secretary, report to the society, at its annual meetings, all their proceedings for approval.

ART. IX. This constitution may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of the society by a two-thirds vote of all the members present.

W. B. M. I.

The Indiana branch of the Woman's Board of Missions for the Interior held its fourteenth annual meeting at Plymouth Church, Indianapolis, May 7–8, 1889. The auxiliaries were generally represented.

Mrs. Moses Smith, President of the W. B. M. I., addressed a large congregation in the evening of the 7th on the great missionary conference held in London.

Mrs. O. C. McCulloch delivered the address of welcome, and the President, Mrs. Elder, responded on behalf of the Indiana branch.

Miss Porter, from China, and Mr. Leitch, of Ceylon, were

present and made interesting addresses on missionary work in their respective fields of labor.

Miss Eliza B. Warren, State Secretary, gave a very encouraging report of the year's work among the auxiliaries.

Mrs. N. A. Hyde, Treasurer, reported the receipts for the year $901.35, a decided increase over previous years.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Mrs. Dr. W. R. Elder, Terre Haute, President.

Miss Eliza B. Warren, Terre Haute, Secretary.

Miss Mary Perry, Indianapolis, Treasurer.

W. H. M. U.

The Woman's Home Missionary Union held its first annual meeting in Plymouth Church May 9, 1889.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Purdue, reported the collections for the year to be something over $200.

The meeting was addressed by Rev. James Hayes, missionary in the coal mining district, and Miss Hand, recently missionary in Utah, addressed the meeting.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Mrs. G. B. Safford, Elkhart, President.

Mrs. W. E. Mossman, Fort Wayne, Secretary.

Mrs. E. C. Evans, Indianapolis, Treasurer.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

N. A. Hyde. In Account with the General Association of Indiana.

1889.	*Dr.*		
May.	Received from church at Coal Bluff	$2 00	
	Received from church at Elkhart	5 00	
	Received from church at Kokomo	4 00	
	Received from church at Ft. Wayne	5 30	
	Received from church at Liber	1 85	
	Received from church at Indianapolis, Plymouth	11 90	
	Received from church at Indianapolis, Mayflower	6 85	
	Received from church at Michigan City	5 15	
	Received from church at Portland	95	
	Received from churchat Terre Haute	12 55	
	Deficit	11 23	
			$66 75
1889.	*Cr.*		
Due Treasurer on last account		$5 42	
Minutes (300 copies)		30 00	
Treasurer of National Council		31 33	
			$66 75

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1888.

Churches.	Organized	Ministers.	Ordained	Commenced	Members, Jan'y 1, 1889.				Additions.			Removals.				Baptisms		Families	Sunday-school	Contributions.						Home Expenditures.
					Male	Female	Total	Absent	Profession	Letter	Total	Deaths	Dismiss'ns.	Discipline.	Total	Adults	Infants			Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Ch. Bld'gs.	Freedmen	Other Causes.	Total	
Andrews	1883	Van Ommeren *p*	1886	1887	4	13	17	2	7	2	9	0	0	0	0	4	2	20	60	$ 4	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 4	$ 450
Angola	1869	[F. P. Knopf, *Lic.*]		1887	7	36	43												110							
Beachwood *a*	1884	[N. A. Bleakley, *Cumb. Pres.*]		1889	8	15	23												45							
Bremen	1874	Chas. J. Taylor *p*	1886	1888	5	20	25		0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0		90	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Cardonia	1879	James Hayes *p*	1879		5	8	13	3	1	0	1	0	0	10	10	0	4	33	100	3	0	4	0	0	7	81
Cedarwood	1891	[N. A. Bleakley, *C. Pres.*]		1889	26	24	50	17	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	80	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Central	1881	N. A. Bleakley		1889	31	32	63	8	7	0	7	3	0	0	3	0	0	21	35	3	0	0	0	0	3	65
Coal Bluff	1888	James Hayes *p*	1879	1887	7	5	12	0	15	0	15	0	3	0	3	0	0	300	127	26	2	0	0	0	28	2052
Elkhart	1869	George B. Safford, D. D., *p c*	1858	1887	35	86	121	21	3	5	8	2	6	3	11	3	3	80	150	72	86	0	0	35	193	1794
Fairmount	1888	[Wm. Wiedenhoeft, *Lic.*]		1888	4	6	10	0																		
Fort Wayne	1870				42	99	141	30	2	2	4	4	12	0	16	0	2	60	160	15	65	20	12	39	151	1[illegible]38
Fremont	1874	J. R. Preston *p*	1865	1888	11	27	38	9	0	4	4	1	3	0	4	0	0	50	80	10	6	8	0	0	24	440
Hammond	1887	[John Harden, *F. Meth.*]	1879	1889	13	11	24	2	5	5	10	0	0	0	0	1	1	25	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	435
Hebron	1882	[James B. Orr, *Lic.*]		1889	12	26	38																			
Hobart	1885	David W. Andrews *p*	1877	1885	21	23	44	6	7	3	10	0	3	0	3	0	2	25	50	5	7	0	0	0	12	200
Hosmer *b*	1887	Caleb Greene *p*	1880	1887	4	9	13	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	2	0	0	9		0	0	0	0	0	0	25
Indianapolis, Ply'th	1857	Oscar C. McCulloch *p*	1870	1877	105	213	318	58	42	16	58	6	12	3	21	18	10	300	200	49	30	0	0	375	454	6000
" Mayflower	1869	Nathaniel A. Hyde *p em* Elnion C. Evans *p*	1858 1878	1872 1889	56	124	179	43	16	7	23	1	7	0	8	8	3	100	200	121	115	0	0	110	346	1250

Jamestown *c*	1872	Thomas Egerton *p*		1889	9	11	20																							
Kokomo	1863	Alfred K. Ray *p*	1880	1887	41	110	151	23	22	7	29	2	4	0	6	17	3	60	150	78	58	26	0	12	174	1500
Lanesville	1876				10	5	15																							
Liber	1854	Jacob D. Shults *p*	1865	1888	26	22	48	13	1	1	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	30	100	4	10	0	0	0	14	153
Macksville	1885	[William Law, *Lic.*]		1888	20	52	72	20																						
Marion	1888	Wm. H. Williams *p*	1875	1888	6	13	19	2	8	12	20	1	0	0	1	10	0	30	75	5		0	0	0	5	141
Mauckport	1885	[N. A. Bleakley, *C. Pres.*]		1889	14	13	27	0	2	0	2	0	5	0	5	0	0	14	100	5	0	0	0	0	5	35
Michigan City	1835	Charles H. Rogers *p*	1877	1886	36	119	155	42	9	15	24	3	4	0	7	4	6	50	300	101	134	61	60	152	508	1864
Muncie	1888	[J. C. G. Sharp, *Lic.*]		1888	17	30	147	0	21	0	21	0	0	3	3	0	0	100	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	49
Oakland City	1852	Lewis Wilson *p*	1849	1855	6	15	21																			
Ontario	1840	J. R. Preston *p*	1865	1888	24	33	57	15	0	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	0	50	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	105
Orland	1836	Edwin Rose *p*	1874	1888	28	64	92	8	0	3	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	47	97	0	24	0	0	6	30	
Peru	1877				10	15	25																			
Pleasant Grove *d*	1855	Levin Wilson	1849	1855	1	4	5																			
Portland	1887	Jacob D. Shults *p*	1865	1888	9	10	19																			
Ross	1888	D. W. Andrews, *p*	1877	1888	7	10	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	75
Solsberry	1868	[James B. Hughes, *Lic.*]		1888	36	44	80	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	135	0	3	0	0	0	3	
Tennyson	1887	Caleb Greene	1873	1887	3	8	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	25	60	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Terre Haute	1834	John H. Crum *p*	1862	1889	113	215	328	40	1	1	2	1	4	0	5	0	0	250	222	120	330	15	0	652	1117	3500
Vigo, South *e*	1854	[William Law, *Lic.*]		1887	19	27	46												30							
Westchester	1861	[E. A. Fredenhagen, *Lic.*]			20	32	52	5	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0		60	0	0	0	0	0	0	
39 Churches.		Total			850	1609	2469	383	178	84	262	25	71	20	116	66	36	1459	3104	$621	$870	$134	$613	$1381	$3619	$21752

a Amsterdam P. O. *c* Crooked Creek P. O. *d* Cynthiana P. O. *e* Macksville P. O. *f* Albion P. O. ADDED.—Coal Bluff, Fairmount, Marion, Muncie, Ross. NAMES CHANGED.—Eames to Tennyson, Montgomery to Oakland City. CHURCHES ORGANIZED SINCE JANUARY 1.—Perth Lake Gage.

CHURCHES IN OTHER STATES CONNECTED WITH THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF INDIANA.

Churches.	Organized.....	Ministers.	Ordained.....	Commenced.....	Members, Jan'y 1, 1889.				Additions.			Removals.			Baptisms		Families	Sunday-school	Contributions.						Home Expenditures.
					Male.....	Female....	Total.....	Absent	Profession	Letter.....	Total	Deaths.....	Dismis'ns.	Discipline	Total.....	Adults.....	Infants....			Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Ch. Bld'gs.	Freedmen	Other Causes.	Total.....	
East Gilead, Mich.....	1865	Thomas Egerton *p*	.....	1888	19	22	41	14	1	0	1	1	2	0	3	0	0	28	70	$ 5	$ 15	$ 0	$ 0	$ 15	$ 35	$ 139
Olive, Ill. *b*.....	1879	Saywell Perkins.....	1860	1885	15	20	35	6	13	1	14	0	2	0	2	9	0	14	60	0	0	0	0	0	0	75
Fort Recovery, O.....	1854	M. W. Diggs	1857	1863	23	23	46	4	3	0	3	0	1	0	1	0	0	25	100	16	20	5	5	0	46	325
			.....	.....	57	65	122	24	17	1	18	1	5	0	6	9	0	67	230	$ 21	$ 35	$ 5	$ 5	$ 15	$ 81	$ 539

b, Gleszen P. O.

DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

[Three churches in other States, one in Michigan, one in Ohio, and one in Illinois, belong to the Associations in Indiana.]

NORTHERN ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	*Clerk of Church.*	*Sup't of Sunday-School.*
Andrews	Miss Minnie Coon	
Angola	F. E. Knopf	F. E. Knopf.
Bremen	Mrs. Joseph Hayes	N. A. Herring.
Elkhart	A. S. Hall	A. P. Kent.
East Gilead, Mich	Loomis P. Carter	John Wilkins.
Fairmount	W. Wiedenhoeft	
Ft. Wayne, Plymouth	P. L. Potter	W. V. Douglass.
Fremont	Moses Kinsey	Jacob Wade.
Hammond	Miss Lottie M. Towle	E. R. Williams.
Hebron	A. Blanchard	Charles Sherwood.
Hobart	Emil Stetow	Emil Stetow.
Jamestown	L. P. Persing	
Marion	W. Plunkett	
Michigan City	W. R. Corbin	J. C. Haddock.
Ontario	J. G. Scott	J. G. Scott.
Orland	W. J. Case	W. J. Case.
Portland	J. W. Bishop	
Ross	Thomas Loucks	Thomas Loucks.

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Beech Wood		D. W. Youstler.
Cardonia	Robert Fisher	Henry Delbridge.
Cedar Wood	Wm. Denbo	Henry Davidson.
Central	J. H. Lohmeyer	Benj. Pearson.
Coal Bluff	James Hodges	Joseph Hickman.
Ind'apolis, Plymouth	Miss Mary Algire	Jesse H. Brown.
Ind'apolis, Mayflower	Dr. W. S Rawls	M. A. Breed.
Kokomo	Edwin E. Russell	C. F. Houghton.
Lanesville		
Liber	Benj. L. Webber	C. L. Bosworth.
Macksville		
Mauckport	B. F. Rissler	
Muncie	M. G. Vineman	
Peru		
Pisgah, Ohio	W. Robbins	G. W. Krenning.
Solsberry	H. M. Elliott	J. A. Buldrige.
Terre Haute, First	Thomas H. Hite	Chas. C. Oakey.
Vigo, South	Robert Smith	H. T. Macklin.
Westchester	George Stoltz	

EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN INDIANA.

Hosmer	John W. Findly	Nathaniel Shilts.
Oakland City	Wm. McCullough	
Olive, Illinois	Rev. Saywell Perkins	Saywell Perkins.
Pleasant Grove	Rev. L. Wilson	
Tennyson	Edwin D. Gee	E. D. Gee

MINISTERS,

AND THEIR POST-OFFICES.

[The list includes licentiates and supplies not connected with any Congregational Association.]

Andrews, David W., Hobart, Lake county.
Bleakley, N. A., C. Pres., Mauckport, Harrison county.
Brown, D. M., Knightstown.
Cromer, Jere. C., Chicago.
Crum, John H., Terre Haute.
Curtis, Edward D., Indianapolis.
Curtis, Leander, East Gilead, Branch county, Michigan.
Diggs, Marshall W., Fort Recovery, Mercer county, O.
Dougherty, M. Angelo, Chicago.
Egerton, Thomas, Crooked Creek, Steuben county.
Evans, Einion C., Indianapolis.
Fredenhagen, Edward A., Westchester, Jay county.
Goodman, William W., Macksville, Vigo county.
Greene, Caleb, Oakland City, Gibson county.
Harden, John, F. Meth., Hammond.
Hayes, James, Coal Bluff, Clay county.
Hughes, James B., *Lic.*, Solsberry, Greene county.
Hyde, Nathaniel A., Indianapolis.
Knopf, F. E., Angola.
Law, Wm., *Lic.*, Macksville, Vigo county.
McCormick, Thomas B., Princeton, Gibson county.
McCulloch, Oscar C., Indianapolis.
Orr, James B., *Lic.*, Hebron, Porter county.
Perkins, Saywell, Grayville, White county, Illinois.
Preston, Jared R., Fremont, Steuben county.
Rogers, Charles H., Michigan City.
Rose, Edwin, Orland.
Safford, George B., Elkhart.
Sharp, J. Charles G., *Lic.*, Muncie.
Shults, Jacob D., Portland.
Taylor, Charles J., Bremen, Marshall county.
Warburton, Charles S., Indianapolis.
Wiedenhoeft, Wm., *Lic.*, Fairmount.
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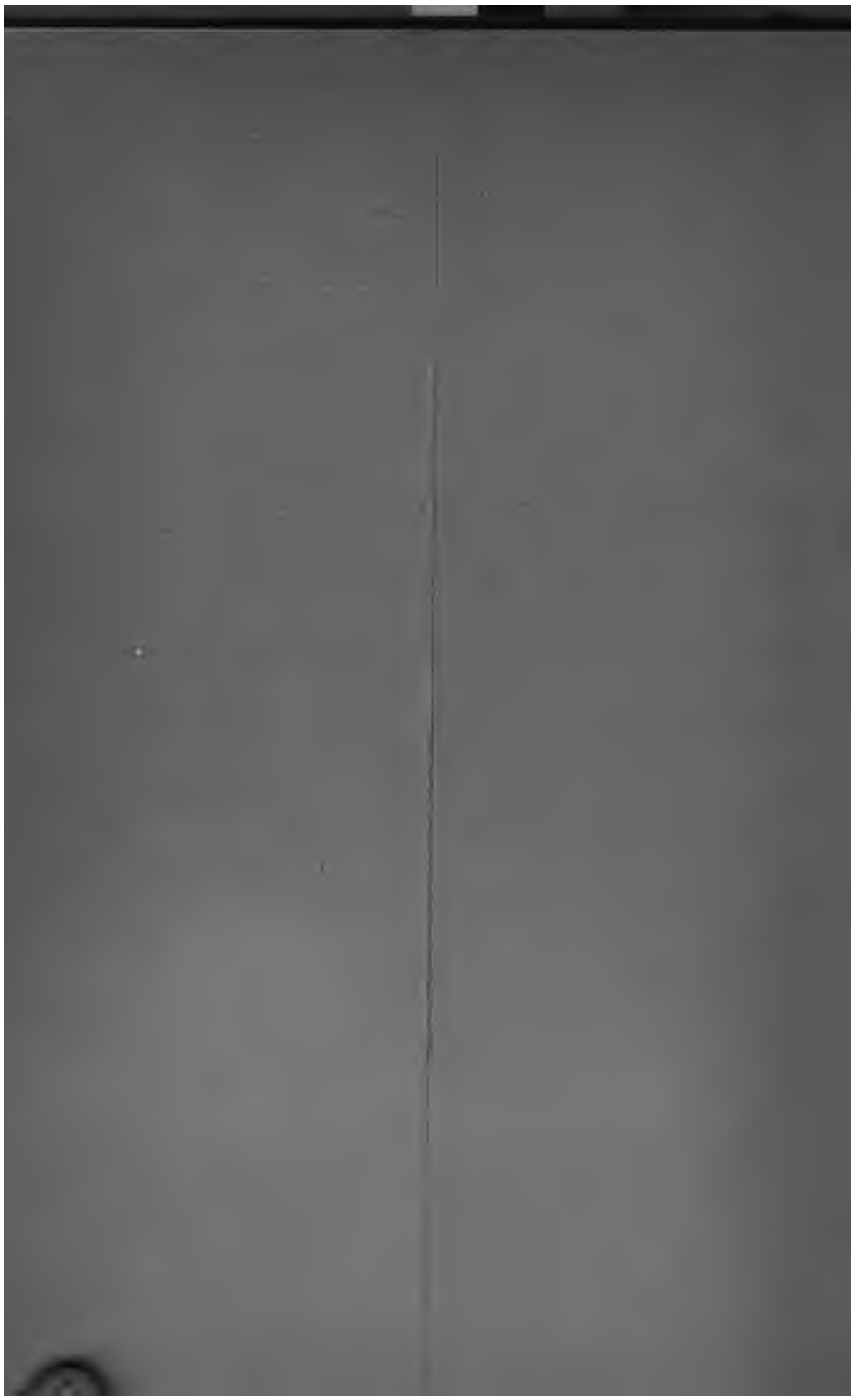

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AND

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HELD WITH FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, TERRE HAUTE,

MAY 7-9, 1890.

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ASSISTANT SCRIBE,

REV. WM. WIEDENHOEFT, ... FAIRMOUNT.

SECRETARY AND TREASURER,

REV. N. A. HYDE, D. D., ... INDIANAPOLIS.

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Northeast Association, Rev. J. R. Preston, Ontario.
Northwest Association, Rev. Dwight P. Breed, Michigan City.
Central Association, Rev. Wm. H. Williams, Marion.
Southern Association.

PLACE OF NEXT MEETING.

The next annual meeting will be held at Elkhart commencing Wednesday, May 13, 1891, at 7:30 P. M.

Associational Preacher, Rev. John H. Crum, Terre Haute.
Committee on Programme for next meeting: Rev. F. E. Knopf, Rev. Dwight P. Breed, and Rev. J. R. Preston.

ANNUAL MEETINGS.

YEAR	PLACE.	MODERATOR.	PREACHER.
1858	Indianapolis	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.	
1859	Indianapolis	Prof. William Twining	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.
1860	Terre Haute	Rev. Jacob Chapman	Prof. William Twining.
1861	Indianapolis	Rev. Lyman Abbott	Rev. Jacob Chapman.
1862	Francisco	S. H. Potter	Rev. Lyman Abbott.
1863	Terre Haute	Rev. Dean Andrews	Rev. Nathaniel A Hyde.
1864	Indianapolis	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.
1865	Kokomo	Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde	Rev. Joseph Jones.
1866	Terre Haute	Rev. Joseph H. Jones	Rev. Dean Andrews.
1867	Indianapolis	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.	Rev. E Frank Howe.
1868	Fort Branch	Rev. E. Frank Howe	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.
1869	Indianapolis	Rev. T. B. McCormick	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.
1870	Kokomo	Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde.	Rev. T. B. McCormick.
1871	Terre Haute	Rev. L. R. Royce	Rev. D. J. Baldwin.
1872	Fort Wayne	Rev. Joseph L. Bennett	Rev. J. L. Bennett.
1873	Elkhart	Rev. J. B. Fairbank	Rev. E. Frank Howe.
1874	Indianapolis	Rev. E. Frank Howe	Rev. A. S. Wood.
1875	Kokomo	Rev. O. S. Dean	Rev. O. S. Dean.
1876	Michigan City	Rev. A. S. Wood	Rev. Nathaniel A Hyde.
1877	Fort Wayne	Rev. Evarts Kent	Rev. Evarts Kent.
1878	Peru	Rev. J. M. Seymour	Rev. S. S. Martyn.
1879	Terre Haute	D. S. Alexander	Rev. Oscar C McCulloch.
1880	Elkhart	Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde.	Rev. Thomas R. Bacon.
1881	Kokomo	Rev. Oscar C. McCulloch.	Rev. M. W. Darling.
1882	Michigan City	Rev. Robert McCune	Rev. Robert McCune.
1883	Indianapolis	Rev. M. W. Darling.	Rev. Edward H. Smith.
1884	Terre Haute	Rev. Robert McCune	Rev. J. M. Seymour.
1885	Fort Wayne	Rev. Edward H Smith.	Rev. Leonard Corning.
1886	Elkhart	Rev. Nath'l A. Hyde, D.D.	Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde, D. D.
1887	Kokomo	Rev. G. B. Safford, D. D.	Rev. E. C. Barnard.
1888	Michigan City	Rev. A. K. Wray	Rev. M. Angelo Dougherty.
1889	Indianapolis	Rev. Charles H Rogers	Rev. Elnion C. Evans.
1890	Terre Haute	Rev. Dwight P. Breed	Rev. Dwight P. Breed.

Secretary and Treasurer, Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., 1858–1890.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. This Association shall be called "The General Association of the Congregational Churches and Ministers of Indiana."

ART. II. This Association shall not exercise any judicial authority over the ministers and churches belonging to it, but its object shall be to promote Christian love and fellowship among its members; to obtain and disseminate religious information relative to the churches throughout our state, our country, and the world, and to strive together in prayers and counsels and faithful efforts to advance the cause of truth and holiness. It shall hold annual meetings.

ART. III. Evangelical churches of the Congregational order may each be represented by its pastor and three delegates, and any minister shall be entitled to a seat in this body, provided that such churches or ministers shall have first joined the District Association within whose bounds they are located, and all members of constituent churches who may be in attendance at any meeting of this Association shall be permitted to share in all its sessions, but without the responsibility of voting.

ART. IV. At least one sermon shall be preached at each annual meeting, and the preacher shall be appointed at the previous meeting.

ART. V. At each annual meeting each church is expected to furnish, by its pastor, delegates, or otherwise, a written statistical report of the number of members, male and female; additions during the last year, by profession and by letter; removals by dismissal, death or excommunication; baptisms, adult or infant, Sabbath-school teachers and scholars; contributions to benevolent objects.

ART. VI. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator and Scribe, elected annually by ballot, and a Secretary, elected triennially by ballot, who shall be, *ex-officio*, the Treasurer of the Association.

ART. VII. It shall be the duty of the Scribe to keep full and accurate minutes of the transaction of the Association, and, after they have been adopted, to place them in the hands of the Secretary.

ART. VIII. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to give due notice, through the public papers, of the time and place of each meeting; to read the rules of the Association at the opening session; carefully to record such parts of the minutes of each meeting as may not be printed; to receive statistical reports from the churches, and prepare the same for publication; to send a notice to all the Scribes of local Associations, not more than three months or less than one month before the annual

meeting of the State Association, that they are expected to present a written report to the meeting of the state of religion within their bounds; to receive and distribute publications presented to the Association, and to preserve for the Association all communications addressed to it. As Treasurer, he shall have charge of all moneys belonging to the Association, and shall disburse the same as the Association shall direct. He shall, annually, present a report of the state of the treasury, and also state the sum, in his opinion, necessary to be raised for the ensuing year.

ART. IX. Five members will be requisite to form a quorum for the transaction of business; but for opening and adjourning the meeting a less number shall be competent.

ART. X. The annual meeting of this Association shall be held on the second Wednesday of May, commencing at 7:30 o'clock P. M., and shall remain in session until the ensuing Friday evening.

ART. XI. This constitution may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of the Association by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS.

1. Every daily session shall open with prayer and close with prayer and benediction.

2. Statistical reports shall be written and filed with the Secretary.

3. Ministers in good standing, connected with other bodies of Evangelical Christians, may be invited to sit as Corresponding Delegates.

4. Delegates presenting themselves for seats in the Association shall present satisfactory evidence that they have authority from the churches to represent the same.

5. Unfinished business shall ordinarily occupy the attention of the Association before new subjects are introduced.

6. Resolutions should be committed to writing, and motions be seconded, and repeated by the Moderator, or read aloud, before they are open to debate.

7. Any member personally present at the annual meeting of any corresponding body is authorized to represent this Association in the failure of the regularly appointed delegate, and a copy of this by-law shall be his credentials.

8. An assessment shall be asked by the Secretary from the churches sufficient to provide for printing and circulating the Minutes and other incidental expenses.

MINUTES.

The General Association of Congregational Churches and Ministers of Indiana convened in their thirty-second annual session in the Congregational Church of Terre Haute, Wednesday, May 7, 1890, at 7:30 o'clock P. M.

The opening sermon was preached by Rev. Dwight P. Breed, of Michigan City, from Psalm cxviii, 25. The theme was, "Church Prosperity; what it is and how it may be secured." Revs. J. H. Crum, C. A. Gleason, F. P. Knopf, and Eli Corwin, D. D., assisted in the services.

THURSDAY MORNING.

The Association was called to order at 9 o'clock by the Secretary, Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., of Indianapolis.

Rev. C. A. Gleason was chosen temporary Scribe.

PERMANENT ORGANIZATION.

Permanent organization was effected by the election of Rev. Dwight P. Breed, Michigan City, Moderator; Rev. C. A. Gleason, Angola, Scribe, and Rev. W. Wiedenhoeft, of Fairmount, assistant Scribe.

After a few remarks, the Moderator led the Association in prayer.

The roll of delegates when completed was as follows:

ROLL.

Amboy—Rev. J. R. Mason, Pastor; Mrs. J. R Mason, Mrs. Charlotte Bond, Delegates.

Andrews—Rev. J. H. Simons, Pastor.

Angola—Rev. Charles A. Gleason, Pastor.
Beechwood—Rev. M. A. Ball, Pastor.
Brightwood—Rev. David M. Brown, Pastor.
Carlonia—Rev. James Hayes, Pastor; Mrs. Jennie Crosser, Mrs. Jane Smith, Mrs. Hattie Poster, Delegates.
Cedar Wood—Rev. M. A. Bell, Pastor.
Central—Rev. M. A. Bell, Pastor.
Coal Bluff—Rev. James Hayes, Pastor; Rev. Thomas E. Rowe, Mrs. Susan Rowe, Mrs. Eliza Hayes, Delegates.
Elkhart—Rev. Frank P. Knopf, Pastor; Deacon W. A. Quaife, Mrs. D. F. Cole, Mrs. S. K. Haddix, Delegates.
Fairmount—Rev. Wm. Wiedenhoeft, Pastor.
Fort Wayne—Mrs. W. E. Mossman, Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Douglass, Delegates.
Hebron—Rev. James B. Orr, Pastor.
Indianapolis—Plymouth Church—Rev. O. C. McCulloch, Pastor; Prof. W. A. Bell, Mrs. W. A. Bell, Miss Julia Bassett, Mrs. Ira Grover, Mrs. Emerson, Delegates.
Indianapolis—Mayflower Church—Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Buck, S. W. S. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cramer, Mrs. N. A. Hyde, Mrs. Jennie Whitehead, Mrs. Charles Gillett, Mrs. Mathe, Miss Mary Perry, Miss Fannie Perry.
Indianapolis, West—Rev. Daniel M. Brown, Pastor.
Indianapolis—Blackford St. Church—W. H. Burton, Delegate.
Kokomo—Mrs. P. H. Young, Mrs. N. E Sterling, Delegates.
Macksville—Rev. Howard H. Gilchrist, Pastor; Rev. Wm. Goodman, Mrs. Belle Gilchrist, Deacon E. A. Griggs, Delegates.
Marion—Rev. Wm. H. Williams, Pastor.
Mauckport—Rev. W. A. Bell, Pastor.
Michigan City—Rev. Dwight P. Breed, Pastor; Mrs. D. P. Breed, Delegate.
Terre Haute—Rev. John H. Crum, Pastor; Prof. L. P. Al-

den, L. F. Perdue, N. A. Hunt, Mrs. S. C. Newby, Miss Eliza B. Warren, Mrs. W. R. Elder, Mrs. S. W. Palmater, Mrs. F. F. Keith, Miss Jesse Perdue, Miss Madge Gilbert, Delegates.

South Vigo—Rev. H. H. Gilchrist, Pastor; Deacons Samuel Elliott, Robert Smith, Delegates.

OTHER MINISTERS.

Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde, D. D., Rev. Edward D. Curtis, Indianapolis.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

Rev. A. N. Hitchcock, A. B., F. M., Chicago, Ill.

Rev. Eli Corwin, D. D., Theological Seminary, Chicago, Ill.

Rev. T. Y. Gardner, Western Sec. Am. Col. and Ed. Soc., Elyria, Ohio.

Rev. L. H. Cobb, D. D., Sec. Am. Cong. Union, New York.

Rev. C. W. Hiatt, Am. Miss. Association, New York.

Rev. Wm. G. Puddefoot, A. H. M. Society, Boston.

Rev. L. Kirtley, 1st Baptist Church, Terre Haute.

Rev. T. E Jeffrey, Terre Haute.

Rev. F. N. Dexter, Indianapolis.

Rev. W. R. Higgins, Terre Haute.

Rev. J. D. Reed, Indianapolis.

Rev. E. L. Alden, Nat. Temp. Soc., Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. A. P. Peck, Missionary from China.

Mrs. Mary P. Wright, Missionary from Turkey.

Miss Ella S. Moore, A. M. A., Washington, D. C.

Mrs. H. S. Caswell, Am. Home Miss. Soc., New York.

Rev. W. F. McMillen, Cong. S. S. and Pub. Soc., Cleveland, Ohio.

Mr. Geo. M. Herrick, New West Education Com., Chicago, Ill.

Rev. F. P. Knopf was appointed to furnish reports of the meetings to the daily papers of the city.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

The printed program of exercises was adopted as the order of the day, subject to such changes as may be made by the Business Committee, Rev. J. H. Crum, Chairman.

Rev. W. H. Williams and W. S. Buck were appointed to fill vacancies in this committee.

At 10 o'clock Rev. H. H. Gilchrist read a paper on "Revivals and their relation to church growth."

REPORT OF CHURCHES.

Reports on the condition of the churches were the next order. On motion verbal reports were limited to five minutes. With few exceptions the reports were of a cheerful character, and indicated that the churches are generally in a prosperous condition. It was voted to publish summaries of these reports. (See Appendix.)

What has been accomplished in the way of organizing new churches, building meeting houses and parsonages, may be learned from the annual report of Supt. E. D. Curtis, published in these Minutes.

DEVOTIONAL MEETING.

From 11:30 to noon was devoted to prayer and praise, the meeting being led by Rev. J. Hayes.

Took a recess till 2 o'clock P. M.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Deacon W. A. Quaife, of Elkhart.

A statement was made by the Moderator relating to new local Associations, and on motion a committee was appointed to whom all applications for membership should be referred. The Moderator named Rev. W. H. Williams, Mrs. J. M. Mason and L. F. Perdue as members of the committee.

Rev. C. A. Gleason, of Angola, read a paper on "The mission and value of the Y. P. S. C. E." A discussion of the topic followed, participated in by Revs. J. H. Crum, D. P. Breed, Prof. L. P. Alden and W. E. Burton.

COMMITTEES.

The Business Committee recommended the appointment of Committees on Finance, Nomination of delegate to the International Council to be held in London in 1891, Place of next meeting and Preacher, and on Resolutions.

The Moderator named the committees as follows:

On Finance—Deacons W. A. Quaife, E. A. Griggs and Samuel Elliott.

On International Council—Rev. E. D. Curtis, Deacon W. H. Burton, Mrs. J. J. Burton.

On Next Meeting and Preacher—Revs. D. M. Brown, J. H. Simons and Miss E. B. Warren.

On Resolutions—Rev. W. H. Williams, Mr. W. V. Douglass, Mrs. N. E. Sterling.

Dr. N. A. Hyde then read a paper on "Business methods in church affairs." An animated discussion followed, in which Prof. Alden, Revs. W. H. Williams, F. P. Knopf, J. H. Crum and O. C. McCulloch took part.

A paper on "Church Music," by Dr. W. W. R. Elder, was listened to with deep interest. The discussion of the topic was omitted for want of time.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION.

Mrs. H. S. Caswell, President of the Woman's Home Missionary Union, was introduced and extended greeting to the Association. At this point the Association adjourned, and the W. H. M. Union of Indiana occupied the remain-

ing hour of the afternoon. Mrs. D. P. Breed, of Michigan City, occupied the chair and offered prayer.

Mrs. E. S. Moore, of Washington, D. C., representing the American Missionary Association, and "four millions of colored women of the South," addressed the Association. She gave a glowing account of the work done by the A. M. A. among the ignorant colored people of the South, and plead for an educated ministry, more money and more laborers.

SOCIAL GATHERING.

At 5:30 a lunch was served in the parlors of the church, and until 8 o'clock the Delegates and others enjoyed a most agreeable social reunion.

THURSDAY EVENING.

The evening meeting was opened at 8 o'clock with reading of Scripture and prayer by Rev. J. L. Brandt, pastor of the Christian Church of Terre Haute.

Rev. O. C. McCulloch delivered an address on "The Church and the Labor Problem."

Rev. A. N. Hitchcock followed with an appeal in behalf of Foreign Missions.

Rev. Dr. Eli Corwin made the closing address on Theological Education, with special reference to the Chicago Theological Seminary.

Adjourned till to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

FRIDAY MORNING.

Association was called to order at 9 o'clock; the Moderator led in prayer.

The minutes of previous meetings were read and approved.

DELEGATE TO THE GENERAL CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL.

The Committee on Nomination of Delegate to the General Congregational Council to be held in London in 1891, recommend that Rev. N. A. Hyde be the Delegate and Rev. J. H. Crum the Alternate.

REV. E. W. CURTIS.
DEACON W. H. BURTON.
MRS. J. L. BURTON.

The report was adopted.

DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

The committee to whom was referred the applications of the North-western Association and the North-eastern Association for membership in this body report that they have examined a copy of the Constitution and Rules of the North-western Association; they have not seen a copy of the Constitution of the North-eastern Association, but they are informed it is the same in substance as that of the North-western Association. They find that the Constitution submitted to them provides for annual and semi-annual meetings, also for the election of a Home Missionary Committee to whom shall be referred all applications for missionary aid; it also assents to the Constitution of the General Association of Indiana and to the doctrines of Christianity commonly known as Evangelical. The committee recommend the reception of the North-western and North-eastern Associations into the membership of this body.

W. H. WILLIAMS,
L. F. PERDUE,
J. R. MASON, *Committee.*

The report and recommendation of the committee were adopted.

PLACE AND PREACHER FOR NEXT MEETING

The committee appointed to select the place for holding the next meeting of this Association and to nominate the preacher, recommend that Elkhart be the place and that Rev. John H. Crum preach the opening sermon.

D. M. BROWN,
J. H. SIMONS,
MISS E. B. WARREN, *Committee.*

The recommendation was adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Rev. Dr. N. A. Hyde, Treasurer, reported that the expenses of the Association last year were $66.75; that there is a

deficit in the treasury of $11.23. It will be necessary to increase the assessment this year to provide for extra amount due from this Association on account of cost of printing the Minutes of the Seventh Triennial Meeting of the National Council.

Rev. W. H. Williams read a paper on "The Church and the Temperance Reform."

A motion was made that a committee of three be appointed to prepare resolutions on temperance. The Moderator named Revs. C. A. Gleason, F. P. Knopf and J. B. Orr as members of the committee.

A paper was read by Rev. F. P. Knopf on "How to bring the children and youth to the Church Services." The subject was discussed by Rev. Dr. Cobb and Revs. O. C. McCulloch and W. H. Williams.

"The Sunday-school and its defects, and how to overcome them," was the theme of an address by Rev. D. M. Brown. Time was extended for the discussion, and Revs. F. E. Jeffrey, O. C. McCulloch and Dr. E. Corwin participated and made many practical suggestions.

Prayer was offered by Rev. James Orr and the meeting adjourned to 2 o'clock P. M.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

The State Home Missionary Society having occupied a part of the afternoon the Association was called to order at 3:30 o'clock.

Rev. F. N. Dexter led the Association in prayer.

Rev. W. F. McMillen, of Cleveland, addressed the Association on the work and claims of the Sunday-school and Publishing Society. He called especial attention to the

large number of Congregational Churches resulting from the work of the Society and urged its support.

Rev. T. Y. Gardner, representing the American College and Education Society, followed with an address on "The Sunken Axe."

The need of larger provision for educating young men for the ministry was enforced.

The Moderator stated that he was obliged to return home and Rev. O. C. McCulloch was chosen temporary Moderator.

The work of the New West Education Society was presented by Mr. Geo. M. Herrick.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Deacon W. A. Quaife read the report of the Committee on Finance. The committee recommended that a tax of seven cents per member be raised by the churches to meet the expenses of the Association.

Committee on program for next meeting: Revs. F. E. Knopf, D. P. Breed and R. G. Preston.

TEMPERANCE.

Committee on Temperance presented resolutions. After an animated discussion in which many participated, the following resolution, offered as a substitute by Rev. Dr. Hyde, was adopted:

Resolved, That this Association hereby expresses its deepest sense of the importance of earnest Christian effort for the reclamation of the victims of the vice of intemperance. We also regard it the duty of the churches to be pronounced in their support of all laws and municipal ordinances that aim at the restriction and suppression of the saloon and its evils. We would emphasize, also, the duty of faithful instruction of children in the family and in the Sunday-school concerning the evils and perils of the use of alcoholic drinks.

Rev. J. H. Crum, of Terre Haute, was elected State Committee for the Am. College and Education Society.

Rev. F. E. Knopf was elected State Committee for the New West Education Society.

The Secretary of the Association was authorized to print the Minutes of this meeting together with the statistical report of the churches. Adjourned till 7:30 P. M.

FRIDAY EVENING.

The Association convened at 7:30 o'clock for the closing exercises. Prayer was offered by Rev. O. C. McCulloch.

Addresses were made by Rev. L. H. Cobb, D. D., Sec. Am. Cong. Union, Rev. C. W. Hiatt, of the Am. Missionary Association, and Rev. W. G. Puddefoot, of the Am. Home Missionary Society.

The speakers made very effective pleas for the causes they represented.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

The Committee on Resolutions reported the following:

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of this Association be tendered to the members of this church and congregation for their generous hospitality; to the railroad companies for reduction of fare, and to the press for courtesies extended in the publication of reports of our deliberations.

The report was unanimously adopted.

The congregation then sung the Doxology and Rev. O. C. McCulloch pronounced the benediction.

DWIGHT P. BREED, *Moderator.*
CHARLES A. GLEASON, *Scribe.*
WM. WIEDENHOEFT, *Ass't Scribe.*

Attest: N. A. HYDE, *Secretary.*

HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF INDIANA.

TENTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The tenth annual meeting of the Home Missionary Society of Indiana was held in the Congregational Church of Terre Haute Friday, May 9, 1890, at 3 o'clock P. M.

The Society was called to order by the President, who led in prayer.

Rev. Charles A. Gleason was chosen Scribe.

On motion of Rev. J. H Crum a committee consisting of Revs. W. H. Williams, James Hayes and Dr. Wm. R. Elder were appointed a committee to nominate officers.

The State Secretary, Rev. E. D. Curtis, then read the annual report of the doings of the Executive Missionary Committee and reviewed the work of the Society during the past year. (See Appendix.)

The Secretary's report was discussed by Revs. McCulloch, Crum, Curtis and Secretary L. H. Cobb.

It was voted that churches receiving aid from the Home Missionary Society before building a house of worship should submit their plans to the Executive Committee.

Rev. E. D. Curtis and Rev. W. H. Williams were appointed a committee to visit the church at Fairmount and advise with reference to existing difficulties and report to the Executive Committee.

Rev. L. H. Cobb, D. D., addressed the Society on the work of the Congregational Union and its readiness to aid

needy churches in building houses of worship. He counseled foresight and prudence in selecting the location and plan of a new church edifice.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The following officers were elected:

President—Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D. (for two years).

Secretary and Treasurer—Rev. Edward D. Curtis.

Executive Committee—Rev. J. H. Crum, Rev. O. C. McCulloch, Rev. Dwight P. Breed, Prof. L. P. Alden, Prof. W. A. Bell.

Auditors—L. F. Perdue, Dr. W. R. Elder, L. C. Haddock.

Adjourned. CHARLES A. GLEASON,
Scribe.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1890.

By Rev. E. D. Curtis, *Secretary.*

The Executive Committee of the Indiana Home Missionary Society desire to submit their annual report, embodying a brief summary of the work of the Society during the year.

Four fully attended regular meetings have been held by the Committee, all of them in Indianapolis, and three of them at the residence of the President of the Society.

Early in the year great care was exercised in preparing a schedule of fields of Christian labor, the amount of support needed to successfully prosecute the work, and the probable resources of the society from the contributions of the churches and the gifts of the parent Society at New York.

This schedule has been found to be of great service in apportioning the funds at command.

The regular meetings were long and laborious sessions of brethren earnestly trying to faithfully discharge their important duties, but these gatherings represent really but a fraction of the time and thought actually given to the work in the correspondence, the frequent informal but useful consultations, and in the particular interest and oversight which members of the committee have exercised in fields adjacent to their own parishes.

The year has been one of change in the pastorates of several of the more important churches. This fact has somewhat embarrassed the committee in its work. With the welcome help of the newer brethren of the vicinage we trust to carry more lightly and successfully the burden of the care of the churches.

The importance of encouraging the faithful brethren of the more remote and feeble churches has been felt by the committee. They realize the drawbacks and discouragements which the isolated and weak churches encounter in the service of Christ. Every practical effort to sustain regular ministrations and develop the power of the churches in the older fields has been made by the committee.

The committee has also gone forward with the aggressive work demanded by the increasing population of the State. The remedial agencies found in the Bible and Sunday-schools and preaching services have been applied in such neighborhoods as seemed to call for our help.

The amount of religious destitution in Indiana is great, and notwithstanding all that the various Christian denominations are doing it is rapidly increasing.

In the "gas belt" and Calumet regions many factories are placed at so great a distance from the centers of population that the operatives and their families are distant from the churches more than a Sabbath day's journey.

As these outlying factory village communities develop, they ought to be provided with church privileges. Such churches can not be expected to attain speedy self-support, but we must plant them as barriers against barbarism. In some instances such churches can be yoked with the more central churches, and both gain strength by the alliance.

As directed by a vote of the Society at the last annual meeting, the committee prepared and issued a circular letter to the churches in behalf of the work of the American Home Missionary Society, and in many ways have labored to increase the interest in, and gifts to, home missions. These efforts, with the accompanying interest of the pastors, have resulted in contributions aggregating a somewhat larger amount than the totals of the previous year.

Since the last annual meeting, aid has been recommended to different churches as follows:

Jamestown and East Gilead	$200 for 12 months.
Hammond First Church	100 for 6 months.
Central and Mauckport	200 for 12 months.
Marion	700 for 12 months.
Brightwood	300 for 4 months.
Muncie	300 for 12 months.

Coal Bluff	400 for 12 months.
Hobart and Ross	175 for 12 months.
Fairmount	500 for 12 months.
Tennyson	125 for 12 months.
West Indianapolis / Brightwood	900 for 12 months.
Hosmer	250 for 12 months.
Macksville	250 for 12 months.
Andrews	300 for 12 months.
Hebron	200 for 12 months.
Lake Gage	100 for 12 months.
East Chicago and Hammond	500 for 6 months.
Fremont	200 for 12 months.
Angola	500 for 12 months.

The labor of students and preliminary work in new fields was carried on at an expense of $620.18.

Altogether the number of churches aided with the means for carrying on the Gospel enterprise was thirty-six. Six others are dependent upon the Society.

The contributions received from the State by the parent Society at New York have been:

From six self-supporting churches	$1,582 65
" thirty-six aided churches and stations	376 43
" Woman's Home Missionary Union	179 24
Total receipts	$2,038 32

The growth of an intelligent and liberal interest in the work of the Society is seen in the fact that the receipts for the current year, from the aided churches and W. H. M. Union alone, exceed the entire income of last year, while the total advance, counting everything, is no less than $1,503.75.

A large proportion of this gratifying result is, however, due to the munificence of Mrs. Mary H. Ross, of Terre Haute, who has signalized the year by a most generous gift to the home missionary work. Would that her example might be followed by other members of our churches to whom the Lord has entrusted the stewardship of His earthly possessions.

We ought, for the coming year, to raise at least $1,500 by contributions. While this mark is beyond that attained by the ordinary sources the past year, it is none too high for us in view of the needed expansion of our missionary field among the destitute and irreligious communities of our country.

The more we raise for our own work, the less we shall be compelled

to apply for at New York, and the money so saved can be used by the American Home Missionary Society to advance the interests of the kingdom on the remote frontiers and in the new settled portions of America.

An interesting feature of the year has been the

INCREASE IN CHURCHES.

Six new organizations have begun work. *Brightwood* was organized in June with nine members; *West Indianapolis* in December, 1889, with six members; *Hammond Plymouth Church*, December 30, 1889, with eleven members; *East Chicago*, December 31, 1889, with thirteen members; *Amboy, Miami county*, February 20, 1890, with thirty-one members, and *Blackford Street Congregational Church, Indianapolis*, March 16, 1890, with forty-six members. Making a total of six churches and one hundred and twenty members.

During the year, three of the newer churches have built and dedicated suitable houses of worship:

Marion dedicated a thoroughly-built and very attractive frame church with lecture room, costing about $2,200, November 10, 1889. Rev. W. H. Williams has been the pastor of this church since its organization, and although the field, from previous neglect, was in many respects a difficult one, the Lord has blessed his labors with the people.

The *Fairmount* congregation dedicated their new brick church, costing $5,700, December 15, 1889, and the young pastor was ordained the day following. An interesting session of the Central Association was also held at the same time and place.

The new church at *Andrews* dedicated their building March 23, at a cost of a little less than $3,000. It is a frame with pressed brick, veneer, stone trimming, and slate roof, and has a tower and lecture room. These buildings, varying in design and ornamentation, are all of them well located, modern in style, and are creditable to the Congregational name.

In addition to these, a large building interest is going forward.

Hobart, under the leadership of Pastor Andrews, has remodeled and rebuilt the old tabernacle, and practically built a neat church with the old materials to help in the frame. *Tennyson Plymouth* and *North Churches* at *Hammond* and *East Chicago* have buildings under construction. *West Indianapolis, Brightwood, Perth* and *Amboy* have secured lots and are raising money and preparing to build.

Fremont has paid a troublesome debt, and *Ontario, Hebron* and *Bremen* have repaired their church buildings.

At last we see some beginnings of *parsonage building* among the aided churches. Two, *Angola* and *Macksville*, have raised the money and are securing permanent homes for their pastors. This example should be

followed by every church needing aid. As soon as the house of worship is provided for, the Church should at once begin an effort to secure a parsonage. A parsonage is a long step towards self-support, a great help in lengthening the term of the pastorate, and it lengthens the life of the pastor by freeing him from great annoyances and adding to his comfort and freedom.

Fort Recovery, though located over the Ohio line, is associated with Indiana. This year, under the leadership of Rev. M. W. Diggs, the church has come to self-support.

Rev. James Burwosh Orr, of Chicago Theological Seminary, was ordained at Hebron, November 26, 1889.

Rev. Wm. Wiedenhoeft, of Oberlin College and Yale Seminary, was ordained December 16, 1889, at Fairmount.

Deacon Albert A. Luce, long an officer of the Church in Gilead, Michigan, and a worker in Sunday-school institutes, was ordained at Jamestown, March 26, 1890, and is now serving acceptably in that field.

Rev. Frank E. Knopf, of Wooster University, was ordained at Elkhart, November 12, 1889. For some years he had been a member of the faculty of the Normal College of Angola, Ind.

Ministers connected with our Society have closed their pastorates as follows:

SELF-SUPPORTING CHURCHES.—Rev. Jere C. Cromer has resigned at Fort Wayne and accepted the pastorate of Millard Avenue Church, Chicago; Rev. C. H. Rogers has exchanged Michigan City for Geneseo, Illinois; Rev. G. B. Safford, D. D., has left Elkhart and is now residing in New York City, and Rev. E. C. Evans, of Mayflower, Indianapolis, and Rev. E. Rose, of Orland, have accepted calls respectively to the First Church, Springfield, Mo., and Lowell, Vt. Rev. A. K. Wray has also gone back to Missouri from Kokomo, taking up the pastorate of Central Church, Springfield, Mo.

Aided Churches.—Rev. Charles I. Taylor, of Bremen, has gone to Grand Blanc, Michigan, and Rev. N. A. Bleakley, of Central, has returned to Illinois. Total, 8.

The following ministers have assumed pastorates during the year in Indiana:

SELF-SUPPORTING CHURCHES.—Rev. John H. Crum, Terre Haute; Rev. Dwight P. Breed, Michigan City; Rev. F. E. Knopf, Elkhart, and Rev. D. Q. Travis, Orland.

IN AIDED CHURCHES.—Rev. Daniel M. Brown, West Indianapolis, from the M. E. Church; Rev. Howard H. Gilchrist, Macksville, from Kansas; Rev. Josiah H. Simons, Andrews, from the United Brethren Church; Rev. Charles A. Gleason, Angola, from Michigan; Rev. John R. Mason, Amboy, from Ohio; Rev. James B. Orr, Hebron; Rev. Wm.

Wiedenhoeft, Fairmount, and Rev. Albert A. Luce, Jamestown. Alos Mr. Daniel Lee Sanborn, of Chicago Seminary, has begun work at Bremen, and Mr. Hans. Zunistein of the same seminary, is acting as associate pastor with Rev. Dwight P. Breed, at Michigan City, and has the care of the German Mission established in that city by the Congregational Church.

Total additions to ministerial force, 14.

Students labored in the state during the summer as follows:

From Yale Theological Seminary.--Mr. T. Arthur Frey at Fort Wayne, and Mr. Harvey S. Bush at Andrews.

From Union Theological Seminary, New York.--Mr. Franklin E. Jeffrey at Hosmer.

From Chicago Theological Seminary.—Mr. Edward A. Fredenhagen at Camden. Total, 4.

The total number of missionaries employed by the Society during the year has been twenty-eight. The aggregate time of service was fourteen years and nine months.

An encouraging feature of the work has been an increase in the number of preaching stations. Several of the eleven reported may be expected to become churches at no distant day.

The peculiar physical features of the winter, and the prevailing epidemic greatly hindered protracted meetings for the prosecution of revival work. Nevertheless many of the churches have been signally favored with a revival spirit and with accessions to their membership. Among such churches can be named Macksville, Andrews, Marion, Jamestown, Angola and Lake Gage. Elkhart, Orland, Terre Haute and Plymouth Church, Indianapolis, have had a year of faithful work in the commitment of souls to the better life.

You see, brethren, that our work is going forward with accelerated speed. The opportunity and the privilege are before us to accomplish much in the evangelization of the great and favored state in which we live, and lay deep and strong foundations for the future building of society, in the propagation of the principles of our polity and faith. To both American civilization and culture we owe an enormous debt, and from the latter comes up the cry of need for further propagation and enlightenment from the church which represents most truly in history, tradition, practice, and outlook, the genuine spirit of American civilization. "If America fail," says Prof. Park, "the world will fail."

Here are concentrated the great opposing forces of our times; here Christianity is being put to the test, as to its power of shaping the weal or woe of nations.

Is $1,500 too much to ask for this great cause this year, from the nearly fifty Congregational churches of Indiana? Shall not the privi-

lege of supporting our noble missionaries in their heroic and self-sacrificing work be more largely shared by us? Let us all partake in the blessing of the great forward movement of America for Christ.

Respectfully submitted. N. A. HYDE, *President.*
L. P. ALDEN.
O. C. MCCULLOCH.
TERRE HAUTE, May 9, 1890. E. D. CURTIS, *Secretary.*

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. This society shall be called the "Home Missionary Society of Indiana."

ART. II. The object of this organization shall be to promote the interests of the Congregational churches of the State, especially by securing their more efficient co-operation in home missionary work.

ART. III. Any minister or delegate holding connection with the State Association shall be considered a member of this society.

ART. IV. The officers of this society shall be a President, Secretary and Treasurer. The President shall be elected by ballot for the term of two years; the Secretary of the society and the Treasurer shall be elected annually, *viva voce.*

PRESIDENT.

ART. V. The President shall preside at all the meetings of the society; shall act as President of the Executive Committe, hereinafter provided for, and perform other duties incident to that office.

SECRETARY.

ART. VI. The Secretary shall keep a record of all the proceedings of the society and Executive Committees, of all the applications of churches for aid, of the name and date of commission, of all the missionaries of the State and the amount granted each, and of the contributions of the churches to the A. H. M. S., as reported to him from time to time.

TREASURER.

ART. VII. The Treasurer shall receive and disburse all the funds of the society, under the direction of the Executive Committee, and make a report of the same to the society at their annual meetings.

ART. VIII. The society shall elect annually not more than five from their number, who, with the President, Secretary and Treasurer, shall constitute an Executive Committee, to whom all applications for aid to churches shall be submitted for their approval. This committee shall have supervision of all the missionary work in the State; it shall look especially after the interests of pastorless churches, furnishing them temporary supplies, and helping them to a permanent ministry when-

ever practicable. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to meet at least once a quarter to consult in regard to the work of the State Missionary, to act upon applications for aid, and to transact such other business as the best interests of missions in the State require. They shall, also, by their Secretary, report to the society, at its annual meetings, all their proceedings for approval.

ART. IX. This constitution may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of the society by a two-thirds vote of all the members present.

APPENDIX.

REPORT OF CHURCHES.

It was voted to publish in the Minutes, summaries of the reports of the churches. The following churches reported in writing or verbally:

Angola—After the retirement of Rev. F. E. Knopf from the pastorate, the church was without preaching several months. Rev. C. A. Gleason, the present pastor, commenced his labors February 2, 1890. The church has increased its subscription to the pastor's salary $350 over that of the previous year. $1,000 have been raised for a parsonage, its erection has commenced; congregations have increased, nine recent additions; a harmonious hopeful spirit in the church; the outlook very encouraging.

Amboy—Organized February 20, 1890, with 31 members. A lot has been purchased in an eligible location, and a church edifice will be erected during the summer. The membership is harmonious and earnestly at work.

Andrews—This church is happy in the completion of a new beautiful house of worship, which it paid for. It is receiving accessions to its membership and otherwise gives indications of having entered upon a new career of prosperity.

Brightwood—Has bought a lot and hopes to build this season. A student will serve the church during the summer months.

Coal Bluff—Has maintained its work during the past year, although the church has felt the effects of labor troubles among the miners. It is the one center of light and moral influence in a large district.

Cardonia—Has suffered from changes peculiar to mining communities, it needs stated preaching.

Elkhart—Has had a change in the pastorate during the past year. The present pastor, Rev. Frank E. Knopf, began his labors October 1, 1889; was ordained November 12, 1889. Congregations are large; the various departments of church work are in an unusually prosperous condition; 14 additions received recently; a large increase in benevolent contributions reported. The Sunday-school and Society of Christian Endeavor are largely attended; the latter has a membership of 70, of whom 29 are on the list of active members; the associate members generally participate in the meetings. The thing most worthy of mention

is that the young people are receiving religious impressions and are learning to take part in religious services and church work.

Fairmount—Has a very handsome substantial house of worship and a flourishing Sunday-school. Though the membership is small, the congregations are large Sunday evenings. Morning services are not so well attended. This church feels the burden of its indebtedness. If that were removed the prospect of growth would be bright.

Fort Wayne—Has endured a long vacancy in the pastorate, better than could have been expected. The hopes of the church have greatly revived in the prospect of having a new pastor in whom all are cordially united.

Hebron—Has refitted and decorated its house of worship and has received accessions to its memberhip; the outlook is promising.

Indianapolis, Plymouth Church—Has received 46 members; present membership 348. The Sunday-school has an average attendance of about 200. The children are accorded a prominent place; the pastor always precedes his morning sermon with a talk to the children. Socials, a "Doll Reception," "Flower Sunday," and other entertainments are provided for the children. Plymouth Institute, a school for busy people, has had a prosperous year. It sustains classes in ordinary school branches, also book-keeping, short-hand, history, drawing, civil government and literature. The pastor has a travel class. Two lecture courses have been sustained, one for children of the public schools.

Indianapolis, Mayflower Church—Has received 25 members. Congregations have increased. The Home and Foreign Missionary Societies and the two juvenile societies have had a prosperous year. Pastor E. P. Evans resigned in March, 1890, to accept a call to Springfield, Mo. A young peoples' Society of Christian Endeavor is well sustained.

Indianapolis, Blackford Street Church—This church recently organized; it starts with a membership of 46, composed largely of young people. Their unity, earnestness and zeal give promise of future growth. Rev. F. N. Dexter has been called to the pastorate.

Indianapolis, West—Is located in a rapidly growing suburb. A stone foundation of a new church edifice has been laid and arrangements are made for completing the building.

Kokomo—This church steadily gains in strength with the growth of the city. Congregations have been good; Sunday-school members 180. The pulpit is now vacant.

Liber—Is served acceptably by Bro. H. Moon, of the Friend's Society. The prayer meeting and young people's society are well sustained.

Macksville—Has been blessed spiritually, and has received valuable accessions. A parsonage is greatly needed and an effort to build one is being made.

Marion—Has erected a very neat church edifice, at a cost of $2,100. The membership has increased from six to twenty-five. The Sunday-school is increasing in members and usefulness. An effort is now being made to secure a parsonage in the near future. The prospects of this church are brighter than ever before.

Michigan City—This church has been much encouraged by the arrival of a new pastor, Rev. Dwight P. Breed. Attendance on Sabbath services is excellent. The Sunday-school, young peoples society, missionary societies and other departments of the church work are in a prosperous condition. A mission among the German population of the city has been established. The pastor has been appointed chaplain to the State Penitentiary, located in Michigan City.

Terre Haute—The year has been one of marked prosperity, encouraging to both pastor and people. Fifty members have been added to the church. Attendance on Sabbath services has greatly increased. The Sunday-school is in an unusually flourishing condition. The numerous missionary and charitable societies have been very active; the statistics show that this is the banner church in benevolence. A mission in a destitute part of the city has been started, and is under the care of T. E. Jeffrey, who is under appointment as missionary to India.

South Vigo—Has revived in attendance and interest since the arrival of their pastor, Rev. H. H. Gilchrist.

W. B. M. I.

The Indiana board of the Woman's Board of Missions for the Interior held its fifteenth annual meeting in the Congregational Church at Terre Haute, May 6–7, 1890. The auxiliaries were generally represented.

Miss Eliza B. Warren, State Secretary, gave a very encouraging report of the year's work among the auxiliaries.

Miss Mary E. Perry, Treasurer, reported the receipts for the year $896.20.

Miss Mary P. Wright, Missionary at Marsovan, Turkey, Mrs. A. P. Peck, Missionary at Pang Chuang, China, and Mrs. H. S. Caswell, of New York, were present. Their inspiring addresses added much to the interest of the meeting.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, Mrs. E. M. Elder, Terre Haute.

Vice-President, Mrs. N. A. Hyde, Indianapolis.

Secretary, Miss Eliza B. Warren, Terre Haute.

Treasurer, Miss Mary E. Perry, Indianapolis.

Auditor, Mrs. Laura P. Gillett, Indianapolis.

Vice-Pres. N. W. Asso., Mrs. John Barton, Hebron.

Vice-Pres. N. E. Asso., Mrs. Moses Kinsey, Fremont.

Vice-Pres. Cent. Asso., Mrs. T. P. Sanborn, Indianapolis.

Vice-Pres. Southern Asso., Mrs. Elijah Harper, Oakland City.

W. H. M. U.

The Woman's Home Missionary Union held its second annual meeting in the Congregational Church of Terre Haute, May 8, 1890. The attendence was good. New auxiliaries were reported. This new organization enters upon its second year with encouraging prospects. The presence and inspiring addresses of Mrs. H. S. Caswell, from the Missionary Rooms at New York, greatly encouraged the ladies.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, Mrs. W. A. Bell, Indianapolis.

Vice-Pres., Mrs. P. H. Young, Kokomo.

Secretary, Mrs. W. E. Mossman, Fort Wayne.

Treasurer, Mrs. D. T. Brown, Michigan City.

Vice-Pres. N. W. Asso., Mrs. D. F. Cole, Elkhart.

Vice-Pres. N. E. Asso., Mrs. Wilder, Orland.

Vice-Pres. Cent. Asso., Miss Harriet A. Scott, Indianapolis.

Vice-Pres. Southern Asso., Mrs. Levin Wilson, Cynthiana.

STATISTICS OF CHURCHES FOR YAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1889.

Churches.	Organized	Clerks.	Ministers.	Ordained	Began Present Services.	Members.				Admissions.			Removals.				Baptisms.		Families
						Male	Female	Total	Absent	Confession.	Letter	Total	Death	Letter	Discipline	Total	Adult	Infant	
Andrews	1883	Jesse Peet	Jerome H. Simons *p*	1876	1889	5	16	21	3	5	0	5	0	2	0	2	4	2	30
Angola	1869	Mrs. L. R. Williams	Charles A. Gleason *p*	1878	1890	5	35	40	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	100
Beachwood *a*	1884	D. W. Youtsler	W. A. Ball *p*		1890	11	10	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11
Bremen	1871	Mrs. Annie E. Hayes				8	16	24		7	3	10	0	0	0	0	5	2	20
Brightwood	1889	Jacob J. Traub	George P. Anderson *Lic*		1890	3	4	7	0	6	1	10	0	0	3	3	0	2	15
Cardonia	1879	Robert Fisher	James Hayes *p*, Coal Bluff	1879	1889	5	8	13	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	75
Cedarwood	1881	Wm. Denbo	W. A. Ball		1890	28	27	55	17	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	40
Central	1881	Benj. Pearson	W. A. Ball		1890	31	32	63	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21
Coal Bluff	1888	Rev. Jas. Hayes	James Hayes *p*	1879	1887	11	21	38	4	18	6	24	0	0	0	0	8	8	100
Elkhart	1869	Albert G. Hall	Frank E. Knopf *p*	1889	1889	35	83	118	10	0	2	2	2	3	0	5	0	0	80
East Chicago	1889	L. T. Loucks	Frank P. Sanders *p*	1878	1889	7	10	17	0	5	12	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Fairmount	1888	Mrs. Alice B. Jackman	William Wiedenhoeft *p*	1889	1889	5	7	12	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	25
Fort Wayne	1870	Philip L. Potter	James S. Ainslie *p*	1882	1890	36	80	116	34	8	1	9	7	8	0	15	6	0	40
Fremont	1874	Dea. Moses Kinsey	Thomas R. Egerton *p*	1889	1890	10	31	41	10	1	4	8	0	5	0	5	3	0	25
Hammond	1887	Wm. Nietchie	Frank P. Sanders *p*	1878	1889	8	5	13	0	0	0	0	1	7	8	16	0	2	14
Hammond, Ply'th.	1889	Mrs. J. B. Woods	Frank P. Sanders *p*	1878	1889	2	11	13	0	7	6	13	0	0	0	0	.....	.....	15
Hebron	1882	A. W. Blanchard	James B. Orr *p*	1889	1889	11	26	37	2	7	1	8	0	1	0	1	3	2	10
Hobart	1885	Emil Fletow	D. W. Andrews *p*	1877	1885	30	45	75	16	31	0	31	0	0	0	0	10	2	25
Hosmer *b*	1887	John W. Findley	Wm. G. Law, *Lic.*, Glezen		1889	4	10	14	1	0	2	2	0	2	0	2	0	0	11
Indianapolis, Ply'th.	1857	Mary F. Algire	Oscar C. McCulloch *p*	1870	1877	116	237	353	60	37	9	46	3	12	0	15	15	14	250
" Mayflower	1869	Dr. W. S. Rawls	Nathaniel A. Hyde *p em*	1858	1872	63	137	200	19	5	25	30	1	8	0	9	2	8	100
" West	1889	Mrs. Rosina Howe	David M. Brown *p*	1870	1889	2	4	6	0	5	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	20

Jamestown *c*	1872	Miss Helen Gray	Albert A. Luce *p*	1890	1889	6	5	11	2	1	0	1	0	3	8	11	0	0	60
Kokomo	1863	Edwin E. Russel				47	117	164	20	7	6	13	2	2	0	4	4	3	75
Lake Gage	1889	Frank Brown	David Q. Travis *p*	1889	1889	5	9	14	0	5	9	14	0	0	0	0	5	0	15
Lanesville	1876					10	5	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
Liber	1854	Wm. A. Bockoven				28	22	50	6	6	1	7	0	2	0	2	2	0	20
Macksville	1885	M. T. Goodman	Howard H. Gilchrist *p*	1885	1889	20	62	82	20	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	50
Marion	1889	Joseph F. Carmichael	William H. Williams *p*	1875	1889	3	7	10	0	5	5	10	0	0	0	0	2	0	40
Maucksport	1885	B. F. Rissler	W. A. Ball *p*		1890	14	13	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15
Michigan City	1835	W. R. Corbin	Dwight P. Breed *p*	1873	1889	42	122	164	42	13	9	22	1	10	0	11			137
Muncie	1888		J. Charles G. Sharp *Lic*		1888	15	18	33	3										40
Oakland City	1852	Wm. McCullough	William G. Law *Lic*		1889	5	15	20	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	10
Ontario	1840	Mrs. Ellen Chesbro	Jared R Preston *p*	1865	1889	33	34	67	15	20	0	20	0	4	6	10	13	0	40
Orland	1836	Wm. J. Case	David Q. Travis *p*	1889	1889	25	65	90	8	6	0	6	1	7	0	8	4	1	45
Perth	1889	Mrs. Elizabeth Powers	James Hayes *p*	1879	1888	6	9	15	3	18	0	18	1	0	2	3	7	0	75
Peru	1877					8	12	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
Pleasant Grove *d*	1855	Rev. Levin Wilson	Levin Wilson	1849	1855	1	4	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Portland	1887	J. E. Bishop				8	9	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
Ross	1888	Rev. D. W. Andrews	David W. Andrews *p*	1877	1883	7	9	16	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	12
Solsberry	1868	Henry M. Elliott				33	40	73	16	1	0	1	0	8	0	8	0	0	20
Tennyson	1887	Deacon Edwin D. Gee	Caleb Greene *p*		1889	5	7	12	0	3	0	3	2	0	1	3	0	0	10
Terre Haute	1834	Thomas H. Hite	John H. Crum *p*	1862	1889	77	209	286	34	4	19	23	3	20	21	44	3	6	250
Vigo, South *e*	1854	Deacon Robert Smith	Howard H. Gilchrist *p*	1885	1889	19	25	44	9	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	25
West Chester	1861					20	32	52	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
OTHER STATES.																			
Fort Recovery, O. *f*	1854	Wellington Robbins	Marshall W. Diggs *p*	1857	1863	20	25	45	3	6	1	7	1	1	0	2	3	0	20
Total, 45.			Total			876	1708	2584	400	210	134	374	26	108	50	184	96	53	2042

a, New Amsterdam P. O.; *b*, Glezen P. O.; *c*, Crooked Creek P. O.; *d*, Cynthiana P. O.; *e*, Macksville P. O. *Added*, East Chicago, Hammond, Plymouth' Indianapolis, West Lake Gage, Brightwood, Pesth; *f*, statistics not included in totals of Indiana churches. Churches organized since January 1, Indianapolis, Blackford Street, Amboy.

STATISTICS OF CHURCHES FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1889.

Churches.	Sunday Schools.						Y. P. S. C. E.	Benevolent Contributions.												Fifth-Year Statistics.					
	Superintendents.	Members.	Average Attendance.	Ad. to Ch.	Benev. Cont.			Foreign Missions.	Education.	Church Building.	Home Missions.	Am. Mis. Ass.	Sun. School's	New West.	Minis'l Aid.	Other.	Total.	Legacies.	Home Expend'res.	Value of Church.	Year of Erection.	Value of Parsonage.	Invested Funds.	Indebtedn's	Salary.
Andrews	Mrs. Thomas Newhan	50	40	1	0	0	$1	$0	$0	$26	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$27	$0	$1700	$2825	1889	$ 0	$ 0	$1450	$ 600
Angola	Miss Kate Woodhall	75	60	0	0	0	70	0	15	65	0	0	0	0	0	150	0	406	6000	1871	0	0	0	1125
Beachwood *a*	John M. Trotter	40	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	1000	1880	0	0	0	100
Bremen	N. A. Herring	100	80	4	0	50	1	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	342	1800	1880	0	0	.....	550
Brightwood	Daniel D. Slider	45	38	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	80	0	.....	0	100	125	550
Cardonia	John Sattie	175	125	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	1200	1881	0	0	0	0
Cedarwood	Henry Davidson	30	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	200	0	.....	0	0	0	100
Central	Benj. Pearson	30	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	150	1000	1883	0	0	0	100
Coal Bluff	Joseph Hickman	110	75	9	14	0	9	0	50	11	0	0	0	0	10	80	0	200	1500	1888	700	0	400	600
Elkhart	Augustus P. Kent	125	110	0	2	60	50	0	10	0	0	0	6	0	5	71	0	1445	5000	1872	0	0	0	1000
East Chicago	L. T. Loucks	50	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.....	4000	1889	0	0	1000	500
Fairmount	Evan W. Ferree	128	110	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	2615	6000	1889	0	0	3000	800
Fort Wayne	W. V. Douglass	160	100	4	0	48	12	5	6	17	22	9	5	0	0	76	0	1169	2500	1871	0	0	0	1200
Fremont	Miss Hattie Vanalsten	80	50	0	4	0	12	0	3	5	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	726	1200	1880	0	0	0	500
Hammond	E. R. Williams	50	43	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	471	400	1888	0	0	34	350
" Plymouth	Rev. F. P. Sanders	30	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	1500	1890	0	0	500	350
Hebron	Charles Sherwood	50	35	2	0	41	20	0	0	18	0	0	0	0	0	38	0	450	1500	1877	0	0	0	450
Hobart	Emil Stetow	75	60	5	0	15	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	300	800	1876	0	0	0	500
Hosmer *b*	Mrs. W. G. Law	100	75	0	0	0	10	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	25	0	300	1000	1888	0	0	0	450
Indianapolis, Ply'th	Jesse H. Brown	250	173	12	75	0	33	0	25	28	0	0	30	0	1354	1470	0	8217	50000	1880	0	0	25000	4000
" Mayflower	Frank W. Olin	125	103	1	64	25	179	0	0	64	0	6	14	0	200	463	0	2223	7200	1869	0	0	196	2000
" West	C. H. Dale	70	47	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	84	-	-	-	-	-	-

Jamestown *c*	Deacon Edward B. Clark	47	35½	0	3	0	0	0	4	3	0	8	0	0	0	15	0	80	2500	1879	0	0	205	61
Kokomo	Rev. Alfred K. Wray	180	152	4	0	25	46	0	60	29	0	0	0	0	13	148	0	1600	10000	1864	1500	0	0	1400
Lake Gage	Frank Brown	60	37	4	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	.....	0	0	0	200
Lanesville		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.....	0	0	0	.....
Liber	Mrs. M. J. Weber	90	66	4	0	0	15	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	26	0	325	650	1856	0	300	0	600
Macksville	Mrs. Belle Gilchrist	50	30	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	150	3000	1885	800	0	0	700
Marion	Rev. Wm. H. Williams	125	67	0	10	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	1918	2000	1889	0	0	130	1000
Maucksport		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	.....	0	0	0	100
Michigan City	J. C. Haddock	350	176	4	29	60	79	0	5	21	6	19	0	0	25	155	0	2259	20800	1880	3500	0	600	1500
Muncie	S. C. G. Sharp	90	70	0	0	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	121	1000	1859	0	0	600	450
Oakland City		0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	26	0	15	0	.....	0	0	0	0
Ontario	Henry B. Hulbert	80	70	9	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	350	1500	1849	0	0	0	300
Orland	W. J. Case	105	71	5	7	41	25	0	0	88	0	0	0	0	0	113	0	450	3000	1850	2000	0	0	500
Perth	Thomas Hilton	53	35	3	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
Peru		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pleasant Grove *d*		0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Portland		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ross	Mrs. Gallagher	40	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	50	1500	1877	300	0	0	50
Solsberry	E. F. Torrence	150	100	1	0	0	2	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	175	600	1866	0	0	0	0
Tennyson	Edwin D. Gee	50	35	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	.....	800	1890	0	0	0	0
Terre Haute	C. C. Oakey	275	156	2	226	65	376	19	0	239	0	9	0	0	344	1987	0	3611	40000	1859	0	0	0	2500
Vigo, South *e*	John B. Cassaday	40	30	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	100	400	1858	0	0	0	200
West Chester		.....	.....	...	.....	...	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	400	1856	0	0	0	50
OTHER STATES.																								
Fort Recovery, Ohio	George W. Krenning	120	85	6	0	0	8	0	5	12	5	0	0	0	0	30	0	212	5000	1883	0	0	0	125
	Total	3703	2586	83	$436	459	$952	$24	$188	$663	$28	$51	$55	$0	$1976	$1937	$0	$32983	$184575		$8900	$400	$3330	$25966

TREASURER'S REPORT.

N. A. Hyde. In Account with the General Association of Indiana.

1890. *Dr.*

May.	Received from church at Coal Bluff	$1 50	
	Received from church at Cardonia	1 00	
	Received from Plymouth Church, Indianapolis	18 20	
	Received from Mayflower Church, Indianapolis	9 52	
	Received from First Church, Terre Haute	22 05	
	Received from Plymouth Church, Fort Wayne	5 00	
	Deficit	40 65	
			$97 92

1890. *Cr.*

Due Treasurer on last account	$11 23	
Paid Treasurer of National Council (dues 1889)	34 12	
Paid printing circulars (committee on program)	7 57	
Paid printing Minutes 1890 (300 copies)	45 00	
		$97 92

DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS

NORTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION.

Registrar, Rev. Jared R. Preston, Ontario.

Churches.—Andrews, Angola, Fort Wayne, Fremont, Jamestown, Lake Gage, Ontario, Orland.

NORTHWESTERN ASSOCIATION.

Registrar, Rev. Dwight P. Breed, Michigan City.

Churches.—Bremen, East Chicago, Elkhart, Hammond, First; Hammond, Plymouth; Hebron, Hobart, Michigan City, Ross.

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Registrar, Rev. William H. Williams, Marion.

Churches.—Amboy, Beech Wood, Brightwood, Cardonia, Cedar Wood, Central, Coal Bluff, Ft. Recovery, O., Indianapolis, Plymouth; Indianapolis, Mayflower; Indianapolis, West; Indianapolis, Blackford Street; Kokomo, Lanesville; Liber, Macksville, Mauckport, Muncie, Peru, Perth, Solsberry, Terre Haute, First; Vigo, South; Westchester, Fort Recovery, O.

SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION.

Registrar, ———

Churches.—Hosmer, Oakland City, Pleasant Grove, Tennyson.

MINISTERS,

AND THEIR POST-OFFICES.

[This list includes licentiates and supplies not connected with any Congregational Association.]

Anderson, George P., *Lic.*, Brightwood.
Andrews, David W., Hobart, Lake county.
Breed, Dwight P., Michigan City.
Brown, Daniel M., Indianapolis.
Crum, John H., Terre Haute.
Curtis, Edward D., Indianapolis.
Curtis, Leander, East Gilead, Branch county, Michigan.
Dexter, F. N., Indianapolis.
Diggs, Marshall W., Fort Recovery, Mercer county, Ohio.
Dougherty, M. Angelo, Cambridge, Mass.
Egerton, Thomas, Crooked Creek, Steuben county.
Gilchrist, Howard H., Macksville, Vigo county.
Gleason, Charles A., Angola.
Goodman, William W., Macksville, Vigo county.
Greene, Caleb, Oakland City, Gibson county.
Hayes, James, Coal Bluff, Vigo county.
Holton, Charles S., *Lic.*, Portland.
Hyde, Nathaniel A., Indianapolis.
Knopf, Frank E., Elkhart.
Law, Wm. G., *Lic.*, Glezen, Pike county.
Luce, Albert A., Crooked Creek, Steuben county.
Mason, J. M., Amboy, Miami county.
McCormick, Thomas B., Princeton, Gibson county.
McCulloch, Oscar C., Indianapolis.
Orr, James B., Hebron, Porter county.
Preston, Jared R., Ontario, Lagrange county.
Richards, Geo S., *Lic.*, Anderson.
Safford, George B., New York City.
Sanders, Frank P., Hammond.
Sharp, J. Charles G., *Lic.*, Muncie.
Shults, Jacob D., Portland.
Simons, Jerome H., Andrews.
Travis, David Q., Orland.
Warburton, Charles S., Indianapolis.
Wiedenhoeft, Wm., Fairmount.
Williams, Wm. H., Marion.
Wilson, Levin, Cynthiana, Posey county.
Wilson, Lewis, Oakland, Gibson county.

MINUTES

OF THE

General Congregational Association

OF

INDIANA FOR 1891.

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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

GENERAL ASSOCIATION

OF

Congregational Churches

AND MINISTERS OF INDIANA, HELD WITH FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, ELKHART,

MAY 6-8, 1891

TOGETHER WITH THE

REPORT OF THE ELEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF INDIANA AND STATISTICS.

INDIANAPOLIS:
CARLON & HOLLENBECK, PRINTERS AND BINDERS.
1891.

OFFICERS OF ASSOCIATION 1891.

MODERATOR,

REV. JAMES STUART AINSLIE ..... FORT WAYNE.

SECRETARY AND TREASURER,

REV. NATHANIEL A. HYDE, D. D. ..... INDIANAPOLIS.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY AND TREASURER,

REV. EDWARD D. CURTIS ..... INDIANAPOLIS.

SCRIBE,

REV. DANIEL M. BROWN ..... INDIANAPOLIS.

ASSISTANT SCRIBE,

REV. FRANK E. KNOPF ..... ELKHART.

PRESS REPORTER,

REV. CHAS. A. GLEASON ..... ANGOLA.

REGISTRARS OF ASSOCIATIONS.

Northeast Association, Rev. Jared R. Preston, Ontario.
Northwest Association, Rev. Dwight P. Breed, Michigan City.
Central Association, Rev. Frank N. Dexter, Indianapolis.
Southern Association, Rev. S. A. Mounts, New Amsterdam.

PLACE OF NEXT MEETING.

The next Annual Meeting of the Association will be held at Kokomo, Commencing Wednesday, May 11, at 7:30 P. M.

ASSOCIATIONAL PREACHER 1892.

Rev. James Stuart Ainslie ..... Fort Wayne.

ALTERNATE PREACHER.

Rev. Charles A. Gleason ..... Angola.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

On Nominations—Rev. E. D. Curtis, Rev. John Harden, Mr. C. H. Cramer.

On Business—Rev. D. P. Breed, Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., Rev. O. C. McCulloch.

On Programme—Rev. David H. Snowden, D. D., Rev. John H. Crum, D. D., Rev. F. N. Dexter.

On Arrangements for Meeting—Philip E. Hoss, Esq., Ithamar Russell, Mr. Henry Davis.

On the Work of the Church Building Society—Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D.

On the Work of the Sunday-School Society—Rev. James S. Ainslie.

On the Work of the Educational Society—Rev. John H. Crum, D. D.

On the Work of the American Missionary Association—Rev. Frank E. Knopf.

HISTORICAL SUMMARY.

YR.	PLACE.	MODERATOR.	PREACHER.
1858	Indianapolis....	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D....	
1859	Indianapolis....	Prof. William Twining.....	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.
1860	Terre Haute.....	Rev. Jacob Chapman.....	Prof. William Twining.
1861	Indianapolis ...	Rev. Lyman Abbott	Rev. Jacob Chapman.
1862	Francisco.....	S. H. Potter.....	Rev. Lyman Abbott.
1863	Terre Haute.....	Rev. Dean Andrews	Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde.
1864	Indianapolis....	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D....	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.
1865	Kokomo...	Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde....	Rev. Joseph Jones.
1866	Terre Haute.....	Rev. Joseph H. Jones.....	Rev. Dean Andrews.
1867	Indianapolis....	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D....	Rev. E. Frank Howe.
1868	Fort Branch	Rev. E. Frank Howe	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.
1869	Indianapolis....	Rev. T. B. McCormick.....	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.
1870	Kokomo.....	Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde....	Rev. T. B. McCormick.
1871	Terre Haute.....	Rev. L. R. Royce	Rev. D. J. Baldwin.
1872	Fort Wayne.....	Rev. Joseph L. Bennett	Rev. J. L. Bennett.
1873	Elkhart.....	Rev. J. B. Fairbank	Rev. E Frank Howe.
1874	Indianapolis....	Rev. E. Frank Howe	Rev. A. S. Wood.
1875	Kokomo.....	Rev. O. S. Dean.....	Rev. O. S. Dean.
1876	Michigan City ..	Rev. A. S. Wood	Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde.
1877	Fort Wayne.....	Rev. Evarts Kent.....	Rev. Evarts Kent.
1878	Peru.....	Rev. J. M. Seymour	Rev. S. S. Martyn.
1879	Terre Haute.....	D. S. Alexander.....	Rev. Oscar C. McCulloch.
1880	Elkhart.....	Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde....	Rev. Thomas R. Bacon.
1881	Kokomo.....	Rev. Oscar C. McCulloch...	Rev. M. W. Darling.
1882	Michigan City ..	Rev. Robert McCune	Rev. Robert McCune.
1883	Indianapolis...	Rev. M. W. Darling.....	Rev. Edward H. Smith.
1884	Terre Haute.....	Rev. Robert McCune	Rev. J. M. Seymour.
1885	Fort Wayne.....	Rev. Edward H. Smith.....	Rev. Leonard Corning.
1886	Elkhart.....	Rev. Nath'l A. Hyde, D. D.	Rev. Nath'l A. Hyde, D. D.
1887	Kokomo.....	Rev. G. B. Safford, D. D....	Rev. E. C. Barnard.
1888	Michigan City ..	Rev. A. K. Wray	Rev. M. Angelo Dougherty.
1889	Indianapolis....	Rev. Charles H. Rogers.....	Rev. Elnion C. Evans.
1890	Terre Haute.....	Rev. Dwight P. Breed	Rev. Dwight P. Breed.
1891	Elkhart.....	Rev. James S. Ainslie	Rev. John H. Crum, D. D.

Secretary and Treasurer, Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., 1858–1891.

OUR SEVEN BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES.

THE AMERICAN BOARD.—Headquarters, Congregational House, Boston. Treasurer, Langdon S. Ward; Secretaries, Rev. N. G. Clark, D. D., Rev. E. K. Alden, D. D., Rev. Judson Smith, D. D.; District Secretaries, Rev. S. J. Humphrey, D. D., Rev. A. N. Hitchcock, Ph. D., 151 Washington Street, Chicago. Income for the year ending September 1, 1890, $763,585.63.

AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.—Headquarters, Bible House, New York. Treasurer, Rev. A. H. Clapp, D. D.; Secretaries, Rev. D. B. Coe, D. D., Rev. J. B. Clark, D. D., Rev. William Kincaid, D. D., Rev. Washington Choate, D. D.; Superintendent for Indiana, Rev. Edward D. Curtis. Income for the year ending April 1, 1890, $671,171.

AMERICAN CONGREGATIONAL UNION.—Church and Parsonage Building Society.—Headquarters, 59 Bible House, New York. Treasurer, H. O. Pinneo; Secretary, Rev. L. H. Cobb, D. D.; Field Secretary, Rev. C. H. Taintor, 151 Washington Street, Chicago. Income for the year, $155,530.36.

AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.—Headquarters, Bible House, New York. Treasurer, H. W. Hubbard; Corresponding Secretaries, Rev. M. E. Strieby, D. D., Rev. A. F. Beard, D. D., Rev. E. P. Woodbury, D. D.; District Secretary, Rev. C. W. Hiatt, Cleveland. Income for the year ending Sept. 30, 1890, $442,725.

AMERICAN COLLEGE AND EDUCATION SOCIETY.—Headquarters, Congregational House, Boston. Treasurer, J. M. Gordon; Secretary, Rev. J. A. Hamilton, D. D.; Western Secretary, Rev. T. Y. Gardner, Elyria, Ohio; College Field Secretary, Rev. J. L. Maile. Income for the year ending April 30, $101,425.45.

CONG. S. S. AND PUBLISHING SOCIETY.—Headquarters, Congregational House, Boston. Missionary Department—Treasurer, E. Lawrence Barnard; Secretary, Rev. G. M. Boynton, D. D.; Superintendent for Indiana, Rev. W. F. McMillen, Cleveland, Ohio. Income for the year ending April 30, 1890, $57,184.85. Balance on hand at the same date, $349.76.

NEW WEST EDUCATION COMMISSION.—Headquarters, 151 Washington Street, Chicago, Treasurer, William H. Hubbard, The Rookery, Chicago; Secretary, Rev. Charles R. Bliss; Assistant Secretary, George M. Herrick. Income for the year ending July 1, 1890, $75,301.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. This Association shall be called "The General Association of the Congregational Churches and Ministers of Indiana."

ART. II. This Association shall not exercise any judicial authority over the ministers and churches belonging to it, but its object shall be to promote Christian love and fellowship among its members; to obtain and disseminate religious information relative to the churches throughout our State, our country, and the world, and to strive together in prayers and counsels and faithful efforts to advance the cause of truth and holiness. It shall hold annual meetings.

ART. III. Evangelical churches of the Congregational order may each be represented by its pastor and three delegates, and any minister shall be entitled to a seat in this body, provided that such churches or ministers shall have first joined the District Association within whose bounds they are located, and all members of constituent churches who may be in attendance at any meeting of this Association shall be permitted to share in all its sessions, but without the responsibility of voting.

ART. IV. At least one sermon shall be preached at each annual meeting, and the preacher shall be appointed at the previous meeting.

ART. V. At each annual meeting each church is expected to furnish, by its pastor, delegates, or otherwise, a written statistical report of the number of members, male and female; additions during the last year, by profession and by letter; removals by dismissal, death or excommunication; baptisms, adult or infant, Sabbath-school teachers and scholars; contributions to benevolent objects.

ART. VI. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator and Scribe, elected annually by ballot, and a Secretary, elected triennially by ballot, who shall be, *ex-officio*, the Treasurer of the Association.

ART. VII. It shall be the duty of the Scribe to keep full and accurate minutes of the transaction of the Association, and, after they have been adopted, to place them in the hands of the Secretary.

ART. VIII. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to give due notice, through the public papers, of the time and place of each meeting; to read the rules of the Association at the opening session; carefully to record such parts of the minutes of each meeting as may not be printed; to receive statistical reports from the churches, and prepare the same for publication; to send a notice to all the Scribes of local Associations, not more than three months or less than one month before the annual meeting of the State Association, that they are expected to present a written report to the meeting of the state of religion within their bounds; to receive and distribute publications presented to the Association, and to preserve for the Association all communications addressed to it. As Treasurer, he shall have charge of all moneys belonging to the Association, and shall disburse the same as the Association shall direct. He shall, annually, present a report of the state of the treasury, and also state the sum, in his opinion, necessary to be raised for the ensuing year.

ART. IX. Five members will be requisite to form a quorum for the transaction of business; but for opening and adjourning the meeting a less number shall be competent.

ART. X. The annual meeting of this Association shall be held on the second Wednesday of May, commencing at 7:30 o'clock P. M., and shall remain in session until the ensuing Friday evening.

ART. XI. This constitution may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of the Association by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS.

1. Every daily session shall open with prayer and close with prayer and benediction.

2. Statistical reports shall be written and filed with the Secretary.

3. Ministers in good standing, connected with other bodies of Evangelical Christians, may be invited to sit as Corresponding Delegates.

4. Delegates presenting themselves for seats in the Association shall present satisfactory evidence that they have authority from the churches to represent the same.

5. Unfinished business shall ordinarily occupy the attention of the Association before new subjects are introduced.

6. Resolutions should be committed to writing, and motions be seconded, and repeated by the Moderator, or read aloud, before they are open to debate.

7. Any member personally present at the annual meeting of any corresponding body is authorized to represent this Association in the failure of the regularly appointed delegate, and a copy of this by-law shall be his credentials.

8. An assessment shall be asked by the Secretary from the churches sufficient to provide for printing and circulating the Minutes and other incidental expenses.

MINUTES.

The thirty-third annual meeting of Congregational Churches and Ministers of Indiana was held with the Congregational Church at Elkhart, beginning Wednesday evening, May 6, 1891, at 7 : 30 P. M.

Rev. D. P. Breed, the retiring Moderator, called the Association to order. The opening sermon was then preached by Rev. John H. Crum, D. D., from 1st Timothy, iii : 15, "The Church the Pillar and Ground of the Truth."

THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 7.

The Association convened at 9 o'clock; Rev. D. P. Breed led in prayer; Rev. C. A. Gleason was chosen temporary Scribe.

PERMANENT ORGANIZATION.

Permanent organization was effected by the election by ballot of Rev. James S. Ainslie, Moderator, and Rev. Daniel M. Brown, Scribe.

The Moderator led in prayer.

The roll of ministers and delegates present when completed was as follows:

ROLL.

Churches.	*Ministers.*	*Delegates.*
Amboy		Joseph Elleman.
Andrews	Rev. Francis C. Woodard	Mrs. F. C. Woodard.
Angola	Rev. C. A. Gleason	Mrs. C. A. Gleason.

Churches.	*Ministers.*	*Delegates.*
Bremen	Rev. D. Lee Sanborn	Mrs. H. A. Herring.
		Mrs. D. L. Sanborn.
Brightwood	Rev. John Harden	Henry Wessell.
Cardonia	Rev. James Hayes	
Coal Bluff	Rev. James Hayes	
East Chicago	Rev. J. H. Simons	
Elkhart	Rev. Frank E. Knopf	C. North.
		J. W. Ellis.
		E. C. Bickel.
Fort Wayne	Rev. James S. Ainslie	John Gilbert.
		Mrs. W. E. Mossman.
Hammond, 1st Ch.	Rev. H. A. Holcomb	W. C. Heath.
" Plymouth		Simeon Hill.
		Mrs. Rosa McKay.
Hebron		Mrs. J. Rice.
		Mrs. J. H. Burton.
Indpls., Plymouth	Rev. O. C. McCulloch	Mrs. W. G. Roberts.
		Mrs. W. A. Bell.
" Mayflower	Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D.	C. H. Cramer.
		Miss Mary Perry.
" Fellowship	Rev. D. M. Brown	
Jamestown	Rev. A. A. Luce	
Kokomo	Rev. D. H. Snowden, D. D.	Mrs. W. E. Sterling.
		Mrs. E. C. Rutledge.
Lake Gage	Rev. D. Q. Travis	Mrs. J. Butler.
		Mrs. Bachelor.
Liber	Rev. John R. Mason	W. A. Bockoven.
		L. A. Bosworth.
Michigan City	Rev. Dwight P. Breed	Mrs. D. T. Brown.
		Mrs. J. C. Haddock.
	Visiting Delegates,	Mrs. D. P. Breed.
		Mrs. W. R. Corbin.
		Mrs. H. Freeman.
		Miss Lida Coles.
		Miss Kate Taylor.
Orland	Rev. D. Q. Travis	Mrs. Mary Wilder.
		Miss H. Green.
Portland	Rev. John R. Mason	
Terre Haute, 1st Ch.	Rev. John H. Crum, D. D.	Mrs. S. M. Gilbert.
		Miss Eliza B. Warren.
		Mrs. Kate B. Holman.
Westchester	Rev. Edward L. Brooks	

OTHER MINISTERIAL MEMBERS.

Rev. Edward D. Curtis, Superintendent A. H. M. S.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

Rev. A. N. Hitchcock, D. D., District Secretary A. B. C. F. M., Chicago, Ill.

Rev. Eli Corwin, D. D., Chicago Theological Seminary.

Rev. Charles H. Taintor, Field Secretary American Congregational Union, Chicago.

Rev. Charles W. Hiatt, Field Secretary American Missionary Association, Cleveland, Ohio.

Mrs. C. H. Taintor, A. C. Union, Chicago, Ill.

Rev. H. J. Macomber, Goshen.

Rev. Thomas R. Quayle, Central East Association, Illinois.

Rev. Harlan P. Beach, A. B. C. F. M. Missionary, China.

Rev. Wm. Slomans, Licentiate N. W. Association, Hammond.

Rev. Rulifson W. Clark, Licentiate Southern Association, Washington.

Rev. Wm. Bell, Pastor United Brethern Church, Elkhart.

Miss Millie A. Hand, New West Education Commission, Chicago.

Rev. C. E. Pomeroy, Pastor Christian Church, Elkhart.

Rev. H. B. Townsend, Pastor Presbyterian Church, Elkhart.

Mrs. C. H. Case, W. B. Missions of Interior, Chicago.

Rev. W. F. McMillen, Sup. Congregational S. S. and Publication Society, Cleveland, Ohio.

Rev. Charles A. Gleason was selected to furnish reports of the meetings to the daily papers of the city.

COMMITTEES.

The following committees were announced by the Moderator:

On Business—Rev. F. E. Knopf, Rev. D. P. Breed.

On Finance—Rev. D. P. Breed, Deacon John Gilbert, Rev. J. H. Simons.

On Resolutions—Rev. J. H. Crum, D. D., Rev. Wm. Slomans, Rev. E. L. Brooks.

On Time and Place and Preacher—Rev. E. D. Curtis, Rev. John Harden, Mr. C. H. Cramer.

ORDER OF EXERCISES.

The programme, as printed, was adopted, subject to modification, on recommendation of the Business Committee.

At 10 o'clock the topic, "Some Neglected Points of Christian Work," was presented by Rev. J. S. Ainslie, his time being extended by vote.

On recommendation of the Business Committee, the following named churches were added to the statistical roll: Amboy, People's and Fellowship Churches, Indianapolis; Emanuel Church, Michigan City, and Whiting.

REPORTS OF CHURCHES.

Thirty-three churches reported, either verbally through pastor or delegate, or by transmitted written report. The summaries thus given of the year's work indicated much activity and a marked degree of progress in upbuilding.

After devotional exercises, conducted by the Moderator, the Association adjourned until 2 P. M.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 7.

The Association convened at the appointed hour, Rev. J. S. Ainslie presiding.

In view of the contemplated absence of the Secretary, Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., as delegate to the International Congregational Council at London, Rev. E. D. Curtis was elected Assistant Secretary and Treasurer of the Association.

A memorial from the Northwestern Association asked that the statistical report of the churches be incorporated in the minutes by sections corresponding to each local Association.

The statistics were, by vote, ordered to be so arranged in future compilations.

Rev. F. N. Dexter's note, explaining his absence, was read.

Rev. Frank E. Knopf was designated as "Railroad Secretary."

At 3 P. M. a paper was read by Rev. O. C. McCulloch on the theme, "The Church as a Business Matter."

He was followed by Rev. John H. Crum, D D., who spoke on "The Educational Work of the Church."

Revs. John R. Mason, D. P. Breed, Thomas R. Quayle, H. A. Holcomb, Frank E. Knopf and Dr. N. A. Hyde participated in the discussion of the paper and address.

THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION.

(See Appendix E.)

Mrs. W. A. Bell presided during the hour, introducing the work of the Union by a brief address.

Mrs. W. E. Mossman, Secretary, and Mrs. D. T. Brown, Treasurer, presented their reports.

Mrs. C. H. Taintor, of Chicago, spoke on "Missionary Consecration."

A paper entitled "My Work in the Missionary Field" was read by Rev. James Hayes, followed by an appeal on behalf of the Coal Mine Mission, by Rev. J. S. Ainslie. Rev. J. R. Mason also spoke upon the subject.

A suggestion to take a collection to aid the work was made by Rev. Frank E. Knopf, which, being acted upon, resulted in gifts amounting to $22.39.

"Life and Work Among the Mormons" was the subject of an address by Miss Millie A. Hand, of Heber, Utah.

After devotional exercises, led by the Moderator, the Association adjourned until 7 : 30 P. M.

THURSDAY EVENING, MAY 7.

Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., led the Association in prayer.

"Protestantism Responsible for the World's Conversion," was the subject of a paper read by Rev. David H. Snowden, D. D.

Rev. A. N. Hitchcock followed with an address upon "The Lights and Shades of Foreign Missions."

"Work in China" was next presented by Rev. H. P. Beach.

Dr. D. H. Snowden pronounced the benediction.

FRIDAY MORNING, MAY 8.

The Association convened at 9 A. M. After short devotional exercises conducted by the Moderator the journal of the previous sessions was read and approved.

THE SUNDAY OPENING OF THE WORLD'S FAIR.

The following minute was adopted:

We desire to add our protest to that voiced by the religious press and various denominational bodies of our land, against the desecration of Sunday by the opening of the Columbian Exposition on that day.

THE TEMPERANCE QUESTION.

A general petition framed by the World's W. C. T. U., on the temperance question was presented by Rev. D. P. Breed. After striking out an objectionable clause in which all government by receiving revenue and granting license was made a party to evils connected with the traffic in intoxicating liquors, the petition was adopted and ordered signed by the Scribe in behalf of the Association.

The Committee on Finance reported as follows, which was adopted:

Your committee to whom was referred the report of the Treasurer, and also the duty of considering plans for the improvement of our finances, would report—

1. That they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer and find them to be correct, and that there is a balance against the treasury of eighteen dollars and fifteen cents.

2. We recommend that there be assessed upon the churches of the Association an amount equal to six cents per resident member, according to the reports as published in the Minutes for 1890, or in the aggregate, $129.27 for the coming year.

3. We recommend that the Secretary be instructed to apportion the above amount, upon the above named basis, to the several local associations, by them to be levied and collected from their several churches and paid over to the Treasurer of this Association.

DWIGHT P. BREED,
JOHN GILBERT,
J. H. SIMONS,
Committee.

THE APPORTIONMENT.

On the basis of the report the following apportionment was recommended to the Registrars of the local bodies:

Northeastern Association	$18 54
Northwestern Association	26 88
Central Association	80 82
Southern Association	3 00
Total	$129 24

"Woodman Spare that Tree" was the subject of a paper by Rev. Theo. Y. Gardner, Western Secretary of the American College and Education Society, which was read in his absence by Rev. Frank E. Knopf.

The work of Chicago Theological Seminary was presented by Rev. Eli Corwin, D. D.

Rev. R. W. Clark, of Washington, Ind., entertained the Association with a solo.

INDIANA BRANCH WOMAN'S BOARD OF THE INTERIOR.

(See Appendix D.)

The work of the W. B. M. I. was presented. Miss Eliza B. Warren, of Terre Haute, Secretary of the State Branch, gave a brief report of the results of the past year's activity and made an appeal for greater consecration. An address was then given by Mrs. C. H. Case.

A service of song was held.

THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL WORK.

Rev. W. F. McMillen presented a statistical report gathered from the Sunday-schools of the state, which was adopted. He also read a paper on behalf of the State Committee on Sunday-schools (see Appendix C.), after which the Association, by vote, appointed Rev. J. S. Ainslie as its committee upon the State Sunday-school work.

Rev. H. A. Holcomb led the Association in a Bible reading exercise, which was followed by prayer.

THE INTERNATIONAL CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL.

Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., the delegate elected to attend the London Council, introduced the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That in view of the rapid increase of the number and of the membership of the Congregational Churches of Indiana, we ask that this state, if possible, may be represented in the International Council, to be held in London, by two delegates instead of one, and we ask that Rev. John H. Crum, pastor of the First Church of Terre Haute, already chosen as alternate, be accredited as such second delegate.

A recess was taken till 2 P. M.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 8.

From 2 P. M. to 3 P. M. the Association resolved itself into the annual meeting of the Indiana Home Missionary Society, for the record of which see Appendix A.

At 3 P M. the Association took up the order of business, Rev. D. L. Sanborn in the chair.

Rev. D. P. Breed addressed the Association upon the subject of "Religious Influence in Penal Institutions."

Field Secretary C. H. Taintor then spoke of the work of the American Congregational Union.

A GRATEFUL ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

The Committee on Resolutions introduced, through Dr. J. H. Crum, Chairman, the following, which was adopted:

First. We would acknowledge our indebtedness to the Father of all mercies, the Giver of every good and perfect gift, for the bright skies, delightful atmosphere and cheerful faces of welcome

that have contributed so much of joy and gladness to us, as we have gathered together from day to day.

Second. We wish to express our thanks to the railroads for reduced fare; to the choir and others for their service of song; to the members of the Church and congregation and other citizens of Elkhart, for the hospitable reception they have given us, and the thoughtful and bountiful provision they have made for our happiness while we have been their guests.

JOHN H. CRUM,
WM. SLOMANS,
EDWARD L. BROOKS,
Committee.

The Committee on Place and Preacher reported.

Rev. Frank E. Knopf, through the Business Committee, gave notice of an amendment, to be proposed at the next meeting, to Article X of the Constitution, substituting the word "Tuesday" for "Wednesday," in the second line, and the word "Thursday" for "Friday," in the third line of said Article X.

FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 8.

The Association convened, with Rev. D. L. Sanborn in the chair.

A service of song was held and Rev. D. M. Brown led in prayer.

The addresses of the evening were as follows: "The American Congregational Union: Its Work," by Rev. C. H. Taintor; "The Testimony of the Map," by Rev. C. W. Hiatt; "The American Home Missionary Society: Its Object and Claims," by Rev. Eli Corwin, D. D.

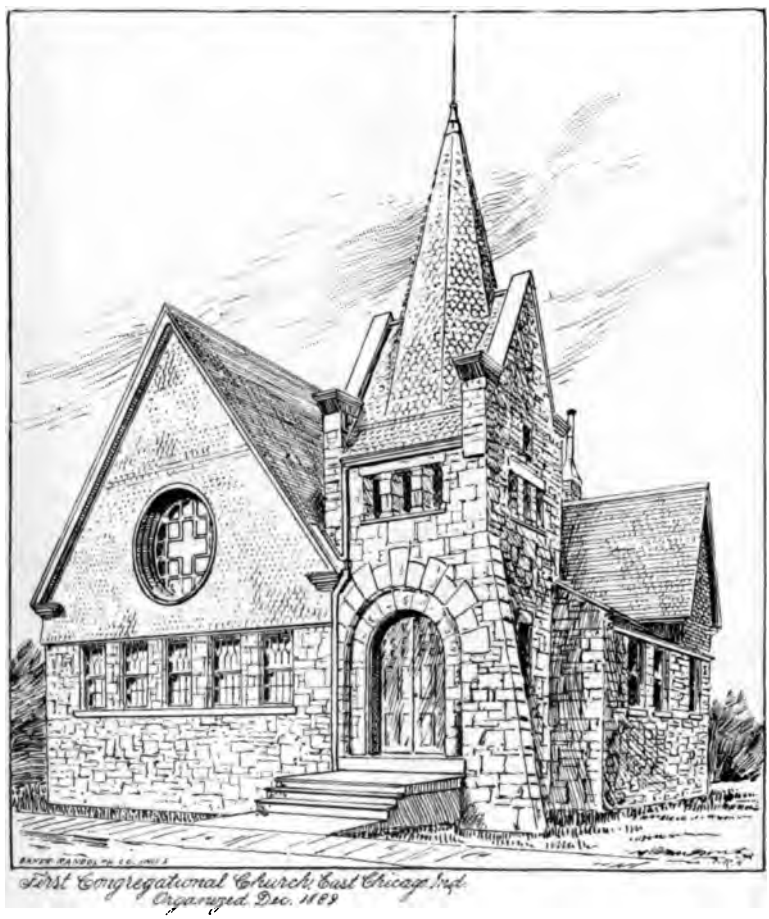
The Association then adjourned.

JAMES S. AINSLIE, *Moderator.*

DAVID M. BROWN, *Scribe.*

TREASURY NOTE.

By vote of the Association (see minutes) the Registrars of the several Associations were directed to assume the work of collecting the amounts due from churches and rendering an account of same to the State Treasurer. This change makes it inexpedient to attempt a Treasurer's report this year in the minutes. Next year the new system will be in complete operation.



OUR MISSIONARY CHURCHES. PLATE I.

REV. JOSIAH H. SIMONS, PASTOR.

APPENDIX A.

HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF INDIANA.

ADVISORY TO THE WORK OF

THE AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Office, 452 North Delaware Street, Indianapolis.

ADVISORY DEPARTMENT.

REV. EDWARD D. CURTIS, Superintendent A. H. M. S.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF GENERAL ASSOCIATION.

REV. N. A. HYDE, D.D., President. REV. E. D. CURTIS, Sec. and Treas.
REV. O. C. MCCULLOCH. REV. JOHN H. CRUM, D. D.
PROF. L. P. ALDEN. PROF. W. A. BELL.
CHAPLAIN DWIGHT P. BREED.

ASSOCIATIONAL COMMITTEES.

Northeast Association.

REV. CHARLES A. GLEASON.
WILLIAM GARDNER, ESQ..
REV. ALBERT A. LUCE.

Northwest Association.

REV. DWIGHT P. BREED.
DARWIN T. BROWN, M. D.
REV. FRANK E. KNOPF.

Central Association.

MYRON A. HUNT, ESQ.
ITHAMAR RUSSELL.
C. H. CRAMER.

Southern Association.

REV. CALEB GREEN.
MR. JOHN R. S. WATSON.
JOHN B. SPENCER.

OPERATING DEPARTMENT.

REV. EDWARD D. CURTIS, Missionary Superintendent.

MISSIONARY PASTORS.

JAMES S. AINSLIE.
DANIEL M. BROWN.
WM. H. BROOKS.
RULIFSON W. CLARK.
DAVID W. ANDREWS.
EDWARD L. BROOKS.
WM. A. BOCKOVEN.
FRANK N. DEXTER.

Charles A. Gleason.	Howard H. Gilchrist.
Myron T. Hartley.	Horace A. Holcomb.
John Harden.	James Hayes.
David A. Holman.	Albert A. Luce.
John R. Mason.	Samuel A. Mounts.
Jared R. Preston.	Samuel W. Pollard.
Thomas R. Quayle.	Josiah H. Simons.
D. Lee Sanborn.	Thomas Smith.
Richard Smith.	David Q. Travis.
Francis C. Woodard.	Hans Zumstein.

ELEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The eleventh annual meeting of the Home Missionary Society of Indiana was held in the Congregational Church, Elkhart, Friday, May 8, 1891.

The Society was called to order by Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., who led in prayer. Rev. D. M. Brown was chosen Scribe.

The report of the State Executive Committee for the year ending March 31, 1891, was submitted to the Society by Rev. E. D. Curtis, Secretary. The report was adopted. (See Appendix B.)

Rev. James Hayes, Rev. John Harden and Rev. John R. Mason were appointed a committee to nominate officers for the ensuing year.

The committee reported as follows:

For President—Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D.

For Secretary and Treasurer—Rev. E. D. Curtis.

For members of the Executive Committee—Rev. O. C. McCulloch, Rev. John H. Crum, D. D., Rev. Dwight P. Breed, Prof. L. P. Alden, Prof. W. A. Bell.

On motion, the above named brethren were duly elected as officers for the coming year.

The interests of the work were further presented in short speeches by Rev. N. A. Hyde, Rev. J. H. Crum,

Rev. D. P. Breed, Rev. C. H. Taintor, Rev. John R. Mason, Rev. E. L. Brooks, Rev. James Hayes and Rev. Frank E. Knopf.

The Society then adjourned.

REV. N. A. HYDE, D. D., *President.*
REV. D. M. BROWN, *Scribe.*

APPENDIX B.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

By E. D. Curtis, Supt.

For they have observed thy word, and kept thy covenant. They shall teach Jacob thy judgments, and Israel thy law; they shall put incense before thee, and whole burnt sacrifice upon thine altar.—Deut. xxxiii; 9-10.

Be strong and of good courage, and do it; fear not nor be dismayed; for the Lord God, even my God, will be with thee; He will not fail thee nor forsake thee, until thou has finished all the work.—I Chron. xxviii: 20.

It is the privilege of the Executive Committee to report that during the year which has passed into history since the last annual meeting, death has not taken one from their number nor from the list of active missionaries in the state.

NECROLOGY.

In December, 1890, *Rev. Lewis Wilson*, a retired missionary, was called home at the ripe age of seventy-six years. Warrick and Gibson counties, in southern Indiana, were the scene of his earthly labors, and he passed from familiar surroundings to his final triumph. Our brother maintained, through an extended ministry, an unswerving fidelity to his religious convictions, and advocated, at great personal sacrifice, anti-slavery and kindred reforms, amid the distractions of a field bordering slave lines. He was a bold champion for right in the arena of moral conflict. His later years were passed in the retirement of his home in Gibson county.

Our great loss forbids us to fail to note the decease of two of the life-long supporters of the Society in Indiana. *Mrs. Lucy Bigelow Williams*, of the Michigan City Church, a devoted friend and continuous giver for home missions, died August 11, 1890, at the ripe age of ninety-three years, and *Deacon Thomas Towle*, of Liber, Church, a man of rare fidelity and unusual wisdom and great love for Congregational principles, died March 27, 1891, aged seventy-one years.

A GENERAL REVIEW.

Five sessions of the committee have been held—four at the home of the President at Indianapolis and one at Marion—at which the interests of the various fields have been considered and current business in behalf of the Society has been transacted.

Members of the committee have also visited fields in the interest of the work and correspondence has been maintained with the brethren. All practicable assistance has been rendered new and hopeful enterprises, and the value of the older churches to home evangelization has led to efforts and expense in the interest of their development. We gratefully acknowledge the helpful cooperation of the missionaries and pastors in the various lines of denominational progress.

At the beginning of the year the committee estimated the amounts necessary to carry on the work as follows:

For the care of the churches already receiving aid	$6,500
For new work	1,500
For general missionary exps., including salary of Sup't	2,100
Total	$10,100

The Society at New York appropriated $7,000 only, to which was to be added such amounts as might be contributed by the churches of the state, which was estimated at $1,500, making $8,500 as the largest amount we could expect to have at our disposal; just about enough to sustain the old work.

During the year, however, the Secretaries at New York were apprised of the pressing need of various enterprises, new and hopeful and important to the evangelization of Indiana, and, although the year was one of painful stringency to the National Society, we were generously permitted to overdraw our apportionment $1,992.75. We somewhat reduced the excess by securing contributions credited to our state of *$1,896.58*, or $396.58 more than the estimate.

CHURCHES AIDED.

The committee considered and approved applications and recommended aid to the various churches as follows:

Church.	*Aid.*	*Time.*
Amboy	$350 00	12 months
Anderson	266 66	4 months
Andrews	350 00	12 months
Angola and Fremont	300 00	12 months
Beachwood, Central, Maucksport and Cedarwood	100 00	12 months
Bremen	200 00	12 months
Brightwood	450 00	12 months
Coal Bluff, Cardonia and Perth	350 00	12 months
East Chicago	700 00	15 months

Church.	*Aid.*	*Time.*
Fairmount	$600 00	12 months
Fort Wayne	650 00	12 months
Hammond, First Church	190 00	12 months
Hammond, Plymouth	250 00	12 months
Hobart and Ross	200 00	12 months
Hosmer Church	250 00	12 months
Indianapolis, Pilgrim	625 00	15 months
Indianapolis, Peoples	600 00	12 months
Indianapolis, Fellowship	525 00	12 months
Jamestown Church	200 00	12 months
Lake Gage	100 00	12 months
Liber and Portland	300 00	12 months
Macksville and South Vigo	250 00	12 months
Marion	175 00	3 months
Ontario and two out stations	200 00	12 months
Washington	545 00	12½ months
Westchester and Pennville	390 00	16 months
Whiting	250 00	6 months
Students and Evangelists	1,067 50	18½ months
Total grants	$10,434 16	Total...330 months
		Total... 27½ years.

Hebron has had missionary service a portion of the year. Tennyson and Solsberry maintain meetings, and are cared for by the Superintendent.

Thus thirty-nine churches have been supplied with the Gospel, and to them can be added eleven unorganized congregations with whom regular or occasional services have been held. Some of the latter, as Terre Haute East Mission, Shipshewana, Fontanet, Lake, and New Amsterdam, may soon develop into Congregational churches. Others afford Christian nourishment to otherwise neglected neighborhoods.

Altogether there are 45 congregations cared for, and 37 missionaries have labored in the ministry during the year.

Lanesville, Oakland City, Peru and Pleasant Grove are not active. The Emanuel German Church, Michigan City, can be added. It is fostered through the combined efforts of the First Church and the German department of the Society.

NEW ORGANIZATIONS.

Churches have been organized as follows:

Church.	*Date.*	*Members.*
Whiting, Lake county	June 26, 1890	10 members.
Anderson	Sept. 23, "	26 "
Washington	Dec. 16, "	22 "
Camden Ch., Pennville, Ind	Feb. 23, 1891	12 "
Indianapolis, *Fellowship Church*	Mar. 3, "	18 "
Michigan City (*Emanuel, Ger.*)	Mar. 14, "	30 "

Total churches, 6; total members, 118.

A BUILDING YEAR.

We have pushed our church building work this year so that our unsheltered churches might have homes. The season was unfavorable to farmers and money has been scarce in the gas towns and city suburbs. So great an amount of money has been sent east in the purchase of iron pipe and machinery to utilize the gas product, and such extensive improvements have been in progress that a real stringency has been felt.

Largely we owe to the admirable administration of the American Congregational Union the success which has attended our church building campaign. Ten of our young churches are no longer compelled to lead a precarious and unsheltered existence. Sanctuaries have been provided and permanence and growth made possible.

Notably the friends of home missions have come to the rescue and generous giving has supplemented the liberal aid of the Union at New York. The temporary inconvenience of such large outlay has been borne with Christian cheerfulness, and an era of life and hope has begun for ten hitherto houseless churches. One church not rich itself aided its younger sister $364 in building.

The known gifts of one minister of our churches, toward the special building fund of struggling churches, has this year exceeded $400. These examples show the spirit of the entire fellowship of churches.

The following churches have completed houses of worship:

Church.	*Date of Dedication.*	*Value.*
Brightwood	September 21, 1890	$1,500
Indianapolis, Pilgrim	November 16, 1890	3,500
Perth	November 30, 1890	1,000
Amboy	December 21, 1890	1,600
Indianapolis, Peoples	January 4, 1891	2,000
Lake Gage	January 8, 1891	1,700
Hammond, First Church	January 11, 1891	2,000
Whiting	February 8, 1891	1,500
East Chicago		4,000
Hammond, Plymouth		2,000
Total churches, 10. Total value		$20,800

PARSONAGES.

The importance of providing parsonages has been felt keenly by our new churches. In small or newly settled communities, where support is limited, a parsonage is a direct help to permanence in the pastorate.

It greatly aids in giving settled character to church life. The house and garden make a basis of support unfluctuating and always available. In many fields it is next to impossible to rent a suitable house for the minister. Candidates decline calls where there is evident uncertainty as to family comfort and health. Ministers are tender of their loved ones, and a very precious sympathetic relationship is felt by a pastor towards a church that is quick to appreciate and ready to respond to the delicate yet unquestionable appeals which the dependence of his family voices.

The following churches have provided parsonages:

Church.	*Rooms.*	*Value.*
Macksville	6	$1,000
Amboy	5	850
Angola	8	1,500

Total parsonages, 3; total value, $3,350.

A POSSIBLE FUTURE.

Liber has purchased a lot in Portland for $450 and will erect a house. The church buildings have increased in number 25 per cent. during the year, and parsonages 33 per cent.

Other notable beginnings have been made. At Terre Haute two missions have been opened by the First Church. One has received the care of the Society, and the work of Rev. F. E. Jeffrey will doubtless be carried forward to great usefulness and power. The Fort Wayne church has purchased a central corner lot, said by disinterested parties to be the best in the city for the purposes of a church, and expect to erect the coming year a finely proportioned and well equipped Congregational church.

FACTS PASTORAL.

Following are the names of the brethren ordained to the Gospel ministry during the year:

Name.	*Date.*	*Place.*
D. Lee Sanborn	June 26, 1890	Bremen.
Horace H. Holcomb	October 10, 1890	Hammond.

Ministers connected with our Society have closed their pastorates and left the state as follows: James B. Orr, Hebron; Rev. Wm. Wiedenhoeft, of Fairmount, has gone to Hemingford, Neb.;

Rev. W. H. Williams, of Marion, is now pastor of Pilgrim Church, Springfield, Mo.; Rev. T. R. Egerton has left Fremont for Canada, and Rev. F. E. Jeffrey has gone under the A. B. C. F. M. to India. Total, 5.

The following ministers have assumed pastorates during the year in Indiana:

IN SELF-SUPPORTING CHURCHES.

Rev. David H. Snowden, D. D.

IN AIDED CHURCHES.

Rev. Frank N. Dexter, Chicago Seminary to People's Church, Indianapolis; Rev. James Stuart Ainslie, Ogdensburg, N. Y., to Plymouth Congregational Church, Fort Wayne; Horace A. Holcomb of Moody's Institute, Chicago, to Hammond, First Church; Rulifson W. Clark, Chicago Seminary to Washington, Indiana; Francis C. Woodard, Aurora, Mo., to Andrews; John Harden, Kokomo Union Church to Brightwood Congregational Church; Myron T. Hartley of the Friends' Church, to Amboy; David A. Holman of Englewood, to Whiting; Edward L. Brooks of Michigan, to Westchester; Rev. Samuel W. Pollard of Union Grove, Wis., to Fairmount; Thomas Smith of Toronto, Canada, to Hosmer; Samuel A. Mounts, Methodist, to Beechwood and other churches; Richard Smith, Hamilton, Canada, to West Indianapolis. Total additions to ministerial force, 15. Net gain, 10.

THEOLOGUES.

Students were employed as follows:

Wesley A. Boroughf and Edward H. Black of Chicago Seminary spent their vacations with the churches of Hammond and Westchester. From Yale came G. P. Anderson, Chas. S. Holton and Geo. S. Richards, who labored respectively at Brightwood, Liber and Pendleton.

REVIVALS.

Rev. Dwight Dunham, a Congregational minister, lately of Kansas, was employed during the winter by the committee, as an evangelist to aid pastors in their work. He assisted in protracted services at Washington, Pilgrim Church, Indianapolis, Pennville, Andrews, East Chicago and Fairmount, with good success. Quite a number of our churches enjoyed revivals during the winter. At Hammond, at Amboy, in the churches of the Coal Mine Mission, at Liber and Portland, Hobart, Fort Wayne, Lake Gage, Angola, Brightwood, and many other churches, was seen the evidence of the Spirit's power in the conversion of the impenitent and in the young lambs of the fold seeking a Saviour's blessing.

THE FIELD AND FORCE.

The number of missionaries employed is rapidly increasing. The net gain was, in the year 1889-90, 6; in the year 1890-91, 10. The committee is glad to recognize the fact that, as a whole, we have a body of faithful, earnest and consecrated men. They are doing effective work and their lines of influence are rapidly extending. Some of them are isolated, and thorough congeniality on the part of outer circles of acquaintance will naturally be a growth requiring time and care. It is true, however, that our churches are gaining ground, and the brethren are winning their way into their appointed work. Entering new fields, they will have suspicions to allay and prejudices to remove. Much of Indiana is Southern in origin, and inheritance, and sentiment, and the westward parallel of Kentucky covers one-third of our territory and population.

With more means at our command, we could in a legitimate way greatly increase our Indiana missionary extension. We are hampered by straitened finances and held back from opening new centers of work, which are just now in their formative life.

A great manufacturing district is developing in Lake county. The natural gas counties continue to produce new and sizable communities with astonishing rapidity.

THE COAL MINERS, now 6,000 men strong in our southern counties, with a population, including their families, of 40,000, look to us as their appointed leaders. At first, the immigrating miner does not find a congeniality on the part of the older residents. Miners' villages are strangely neglected by the surrounding country churches. Assimilation of the variant elements will come only through the Gospel leaven. God has opened a door for us in the Coal Mine Mission. The work needs at once an additional laborer.

GOING SOUTH.

Mines are being opened down the Eel and White River valleys and on to Evansville. The country is not alone going West, it is going South. The great parallel of desolation from Washington west through the Ohio valley, the border land of slavery, is no longer a terminal moraine for opposing systems of education and morality. It is no longer a border-march between freedom and slavery. The tremendous resources of the central South are to be speedily developed. It is the highway of the nation and the arc of her greatness. The great railway systems are heading for seaports south of New York. Competing lines will force their way to

Baltimore, Norfolk and Savannah. The Richmond Terminal will prove a great factor in the progress of Southern Indiana, Kentucky and Tennessee. Already I mark great progress in the "pocket" of Indiana. It is stirred with new life. New lines of enterprise are forming in the Ohio river towns. There is great religious need. It is our golden opportunity. "The Mayflower bore not harvest but seed. Every day we fail to sow is loss." The order to stop "new work" ought not to come to strike us powerless in the crucial hour of our destiny.

BENEVOLENCE.

What can be done to meet this great exigency and solve the problem of Indiana missionary progress, that we may not halt in the southern growth of the nation's life?

For every dollar we give to our own work the Christian people of New England and New York gave last year over four dollars. While our Christian brethren in the East are doing so much for home missions in Indiana it would ill become us not to be willing to make some sacrifices for the feeble churches of our own household and for the planting of churches in the growing towns and destitute communities of our great commonwealth.

The demand then seems imperative that great and systematic efforts be put forth to bring the sacred cause of home missions before the generous givers of our churches.

In 70 of the 92 counties there is not a single congregational church; in a number of others there is only a single church. Many of these counties are in process of settlement and in every one additional churches of Christ are needed as centers of life and light for the incoming people. To aid in planting these churches as they are needed, is a work which belongs first of all to us as citizens of Indiana and members of Indiana churches. It is time to take this work more largely on ourselves. *Who should care*, first of all, for the Christianizing of Indiana, if not we of the churches of Indiana? It is one of Dr. Emmon's striking sayings that "Parents in general can do more for the promotion of general good of society by giving their children a good education than in any other way."

Says a later writer commenting on the above: "Christian parents will, of course, have an interest in Christ's cause outside their own homes, but the highest service they can render that cause will, nevertheless, be to train their children to Christian manhood and Christian womanhood. In like manner, while we give and pray for Christ's cause in all the world, our churches in Indiana can do our best work for the world's conversion by making Indiana a thoroughly Christian state."

A FINAL WORD.

In the deflection of the out-going tide of the nation's life from its heretofore strong western trend into the great undeveloped domain of the central south, Indiana is the gateway. If Congregational thought and impulse is to reach our brothers, 3,000,000 strong, comprising the "*third estate*" of our country—a vigorous life of native born people—yet needing everything almost in American culture of mind and heart, it can only be wisely and economically done by the line of approach marked out by the southward trend of capital and commerce, and seizing the opportunities for forming the religious and social life of the great industrial populations gathering in the iron and railway centers of the Ohio and Tennessee valleys.

Louisville, Chattanooga and the South! Indiana the gateway! The crucial hour is upon us! Larger possibilities for Christianity! A larger number of Congregational churches! A larger constituency for foreign missions! A larger realization of the prayers and hopes of our Pilgrim fathers—*our nation not only* BORN *but kept* Christian! Thus it will stand as a monument of the restorative forces and abundant life of Christianity—so impressing its organic Christian impulse on other nations that prophecy shall be fulfilled and national turning to duty shall be the resultant of America's religious power. India, China and Japan, realizing the triumphant ordeal of Christianity in a purified America, will consecrate their national powers to the world's final redemption. "If Americans fail, the world will fail." "To-day," says Gen. Eaton, "is the crucial hour of the republic!"

Every sentiment of patriotism, self-preservation and national honor unite with the grander forecastings of Gospel triumph in inciting us to larger endeavors for the salvation of souls and the upbuilding of Christ's kingdom.

The committee urge renewed attention to home missionary matters, a wider dissemination of information and a larger appreciation of the work before us, and a systematizing of our beneficence in this regard which will enable us to double and treble our former gifts to this cause.

Respectfully submitted,

NATHANIEL A. HYDE,
O. C. MCCULLOCH,
JOHN H. CRUM,
DWIGHT P. BREED,
L. P. ALDEN,
W. A. BELL,
E. D. CURTIS,
Committee.

ELKHART, IND., May 8, 1891.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. This society shall be called the "Home Missionary Society of Indiana."

ART. II. The object of this organization shall be to promote the interests of the Congregational Churches of the State, especially by securing their more efficient co-operation in home missionary work.

ART. III. Any minister or delegate holding connection with the State Association shall be considered a member of this society.

ART. IV. The officers of this society shall be a President, Secretary and Treasurer. The President shall be elected by ballot for the term of two years; the Secretary of the society and the Treasurer shall be elected annually, *viva voce*.

PRESIDENT.

ART. V. The President shall preside at all the meetings of the society; shall act as President of the Executive Committee, hereinafter provided for, and perform other duties incident to that office.

SECRETARY.

ART. VI. The Secretary shall keep a record of all the proceedings of the society and Executive Committees, of all the applications of churches for aid, of the name and date of commission, of all the missionaries of the State and the amount granted each, and of the contributions of the churches to the A. H. M. S., as reported to him from time to time.

TREASURER.

ART. VII. The Treasurer shall receive and disburse all the funds of the society, under the direction of the Executive Committee, and make a report of the same to the society at their annual meetings.

ART. VIII. The society shall elect annually not more than five from their number, who, with the President, Secretary and Treasurer, shall constitute an Executive Committee, to whom all applications for aid to churches shall be submitted for their approval. This committee shall have supervision of all the missionary work

in the State; it shall look especially after the interests of pastorless churches, furnishing them temporary supplies, and helping them to a permanent ministry whenever practicable. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to meet at least once a quarter to consult in regard to the work of the State Missionary, to act upon applications for aid, and to transact such other business as the best interests of missions in the State require. They shall, also, by their Secretary, report to the society, at its annual meetings, all their proceedings for approval.

ART. IX. This constitution may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of the society by a two-thirds vote of all the members present.

OUR GIFTS.

TABLE OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING APRIL 1, 1891.

NORTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION.

NAME.	Resident Members.	Contributions.	Average per Member.
Andrews	31	$5 26	$0 17
Angola	56	68 30	1 21
Fort Wayne	88	21 30	24
Fremont	20	19 13	96
Jamestown	28	8 00	29
Lake Gage	20	26	013
Ontario	28	14 72	53
Orland	90	43 57	48
Total and average	361	$180 24	$0 50

NORTHWESTERN ASSOCIATION.

NAME.	Resident Members.	Contributions.	Average per Member.
Bremen	24	$8 25	$0 34
East Chicago	10	7 00	70
Elkhart	130	12 00	09
Hammond, 1st	25	1 10	04
" Plymouth	8	.....	.....
Hebron	31	6 96	22
Hobart and Ross	79	29 00	37
Michigan City	147	28 00	19
Whiting	13	.....	.....
Total and average	467	$92 31	$0 20

SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION.

NAME.	Resident Members.	Contributions.	Average per Member.
Hosmer	8	.....	.....
Oakland City	20	.....	.....
Tennyson	12	$1 00	$0 08
Washington	22	13 00	59
Total and average	62	$14 00	$0 23

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

NAME.	Resident Members.	Contributions.	Average per Member.
Amboy	28	$11 12	$0 40
Anderson	22		
Beachwood	20		
Brightwood	10	6 82	68
Cardonia	15	11 85	79
Cedarwood	40		
Central	50		
Coal Bluff	34	15 11	45
Fairmount	11	15 62	1 42
Indianapolis, Plymouth	314	58 60	19
" Mayflower	147	108 61	74
" Pilgrim	9		
" Peoples	52	10 00	19
Kokomo	114	150 00	1 32
Liber	50	4 00	08
Macksville	75	11 71	16
Marion	22	5 00	23
Mauckport	21		
Perth	11		
Peru	17		
Solsberry	50	5 45	17
Portland	9		
Terre Haute	275	107 00	39
Vigo	36	9 48	26
Westchester	11	8 30	75
Fort Recovery	39	14 00	36
Total and average	1,482	$562 67	$0 31

SPECIAL AND INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS.

E. N. Morey, Lowell	$5 00
Miss Carrie Parrey, Lima	1 00
Mrs. Levin Wilson (W. H. M. U. Southern Association)	5 00
Through Coal Mine Mission	47 82
Collection Central Association	7 31
Mrs. C. S. Andrews, Brazil	6 00
Mrs. E. R. Cheney and Mother, Anderson	5 00
Mrs. Mary H. Ross, Terre Haute	953 97
Northeast Association Collection	25 00
E. D. Curtis	15 00
Total	$1,071 10

CONTRIBUTIONS BY MONTHS.

April, 1890	$28 92	November, 1890	$37 00
May, "	15 88	December, "	64 32
June, "	65 62	January, 1891	210 64
July, "	964 47	February, "	221 25
August, "	14 53	March, "	182 75
Sept., "	5 00	Credited other States	23 00
October, "	74 20	Total	$1,907 50

LIFE MEMBERS.

The following named persons have been during the year constituted of Life Members of the AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY in Indiana:

Rev. Charles A. Gleason, by Angola Congregational Church.
Mrs. Harriet D. Russell, by Kokomo Congregational Church.
Mrs. Esther Goodbarne, by Kokomo Congregational Church.
Mrs. Elizabeth Davis, by Kokomo Congregational Church.
Mrs. Julia Wilder, by Dea. Orlando Wilder, of Orland Church.

THE PAYMENT OF FIFTY DOLLARS

To the Treasury of the

AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Will constitute a Life Member.

Gifts from individuals or churches, in which a Life Member is designated can be made either through

REV. A. H. CLAPP, D. D., Treasurer,
Bible House, New York, or
REV. E. D. CURTIS,
Treasurer of Indiana Home Missionary Society,
No. 452 North Delaware St., Indianapolis.

APPENDIX C.

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS, 1890.

The object of the State Committee on Sunday Schools is to gather such facts as they may concerning the number and condition of the schools connected with the churches, also mission schools, and report the same to the State Association, with such recommendations as they may deem proper. A uniform blank for Sunday-school statistics was prepared in 1890, and printed by the Congregational Sunday-school and Publishing Society, for free distribution in every State and Territory that will use them. They were very generally used in making up the statistics for 1890. Indiana desires to fall into line. Accordingly, blanks were sent to every school, nearly all of which reported. For the few that failed, last year's statistics were substituted.

Six places, where once were churches, are without Sunday-schools. There are 47 church schools and 3 missions, making exactly 50 in all, with a membership as follows: Officers, 227; teachers, 433; scholars, 4,633; total enrollment, 5,300; average attendance, 3,564.

Five churches elect all their Sunday-school officers, and 18 their Superintendents. Two churches pay their Sunday-school expenses, five in part; the rest are left to shift for themselves. Forty-nine per cent. of the children attend the church services. Twenty-four churches observed Children's Day; 135 united with the churches from the Sunday-schools.

One school has given attention to normal instruction of teachers; twenty schools hold regular teacher's meetings; fifteen study the outline Bible lessons given in the Pilgrim Quarterlies; twenty-nine have oral and one written reviews of the lesson; thirty use the Pilgrim series of lesson helps; five David C. Cook's; twenty-two take Well-Springs and May-flowers; five use Mr. Cook's papers; thirteen report 1,481 volumes in their libraries.

Thirty schools are reported as having contributed to benevolence $510.24. Of this amount ten gave through the American Board $177.41; not a single school gave any thing to the American College and Education Society, the American Congregational Union

and the New West Education Commission; six gave through the American Home Missionary Society $49.93; one gave through the American Missionary Association, $2; six gave through the Congregational Sunday-school and Publishing Society, $33.18, the balance $247.72 went to other objects; $2,187.45 was raised for home expenses. The total moneys raised amount to $2,697.69.

1. There is something radically wrong when less than one-fifth of all the money given by these schools goes to benevolence. Worse still when only one-half of that amount goes to our seven benevolent societies, the proper channels for the disbursement of our benevolent funds. This whole question will bear still further comment when we notice that of the $262.52, $177.41 was given to foreign missions, leaving a balance of $91.11 to the other six societies, of which three get nothing. At the same time the Home Missionary and Sunday-school Societies, also the Congregational Union, are asked to make large contributions to the work in the state. Brethren, here is room for reconstruction. Not only creeds but Sunday-school finances need revising. The church should support the school and the children get the benefit that comes from the education they receive in giving to benevolence.

2. Where there are churches they should elect the Sunday-school officers. The superintendent in particular should be an officer of the church. The responsibility for the success of any Sunday-school rests chiefly with the superintendent. Of course much depends upon the church members, and the right kind of teachers, but even then the superintendent must be a leader, an organizer, a man of tact, one who knows how to control and marshal his forces. With such leadership the school will not remain stationary for years, but will increase in numbers, interest and power, so long as there is any material to work upon.

3. That more attention be given by the churches to Sunday-school missionary work. While the increased membership during the last year is very encouraging, I am sure there is scarcely a Sunday-school in the state which has attained the limit of its possibility in this direction. Every school has those within its reach, in the very membership of the church, and others beyond, who ought to be brought in to the study of the Scriptures, and to save their souls. Your committee would recommend, therefore, that this State body and each local Association, appoint a committee of one at least on Sunday-schools, whose duty it shall be to increase in all practical ways the efficiency of existing schools; to explore new fields and aid in the organization of new schools where it is

advisable to do so; to gather statistics and submit reports at the annual meetings.

4. That we co-operate with the Congregational Sunday-school and Publishing Society in its new work in this state. That Childrens' Day, June 14, be observed by all our churches, and that a contribution be taken on that day for the missionary work of this Society. Respectfully submitted. W. F. McMillen.

APPENDIX D.

W. B. M. I.

The Indiana Branch of the Woman's Board of Missions of the Interior held its sixteenth annual meeting at the Congregational Church, Elkhart, May 5–6, 1891.

The meeting was largely attended. Pastors from a number of the churches gave encouragement by their presence. Reports from societies indicated a growing interest in the cause of "woman's work for woman."

The papers presented were of marked ability. The presence and inspiring addresses of Mrs. C. H. Case, Chicago, Rev. H. P. Beach, Lung Cho, China, and Miss Virginia P. Murdock, M. D., Kalgan, China, added very much to the interest of the meeting.

Miss Mary E. Perry, Treasurer, reported the receipts for the year $916.75.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, Mrs. E. M. Elder, Terre Haute.

Vice-President, Mrs. N. A. Hyde, Indianapolis.

Secretary, Miss E. B. Warren, Terre Haute.

Treasurer, Miss Mary E. Perry, Indianapolis.

Auditor, Mrs. Laura P. Gillett, Indianapolis.

Vice-President Northeast Association, Mrs. F. C. Woodard, Andrews.

Vice-President Northwest Association, Mrs. W. R. Corbin, Michigan City.

Vice-President Central Association, Mrs. W. F. Brunner, Indianapolis.

Vice-President Southern Association, Mrs. Ella Bryan, Washington.

APPENDIX E.

W. H. M. U.

The Woman's Home Missionary Union held its third annual meeting in the Congregational Church at Elkhart, May 7, 1891. New auxiliaries were reported, also growing interest, attributable to the use of the mite boxes. The organization enters upon its fourth year with a bright outlook. Mrs. D. T. Brown reported the receipts for the year $407.83.

Mrs. C. H. Taintor represented the A. C. U. Society, and Rev. James Hayes, missionary at the Coal Mine Mission, gave an interesting account of his work in that field.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, Mrs. W. A. Bell, Indianapolis.

Vice-President, Mrs. P. H. Young, Kokomo.

Secretary, Mrs. W. E. Mossman, Fort Wayne.

Treasurer, Mrs. D. T. Brown, Michigan City.

Vice-President Northwest Association, Mrs. D. F. Coe, Elkhart.

Vice-President Northeast Association, Mrs. J. E. Wilder, Orland.

Vice-President Central Association, Mrs. Anna Whitehead, Indianapolis.

Vice-President Southern Association, Mrs. Levin Wilson, Cynthiana.

THE ASSOCIATIONS.

CHURCHES WITH RESIDENT MEMBERS AND CLERKS; MINISTERIAL MEMBERSHIP WITH LICENTIATES.

I. NORTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION.

Rev. Jared R. Preston, Registrar.

Formed at Orland, April 22, 1890, with eight churches and 400 membership, 72 absent. Meetings second Tuesday of March and October.

CHURCHES.	Members.	CLERKS.	MINISTERS.	Ministerial Age.
Andrews	31	Dr. J. S. Derbyshire	Francis C. Woodard	7
Angola	59	Mrs. L. R. Williams	Charles A. Gleason	13
Fort Wayne	98	Philip L. Potter.	James S. Ainslie	8
Fremont	28	Mrs. Marion White		
Jamestown	30	Miss Helen M. Gray	Albert A. Luce	1
Lake Gage	20	Frank Brown		
Ontario	48	Miss Ellen Chesbro	Jared R. Preston	26
Orland	90	Mrs. Julia Wilder	David Q. Travis	2

Other ministerial members, Leander Curtis (East Gilead, Mich.), 35 years.

II. NORTHWESTERN ASSOCIATION.

Rev. Dwight P. Breed, Registrar.

Formed at Michigan City, March 31, 1890, with nine churches; members 402; absent 54. Now eleven churches and 564 members; absent 67. Meetings, annual, second Tuesday of April; semi-annual fourth Tuesday of October.

Churches.	Members.	Clerks.	Ministers.	Ministerial Age.
Bremen	26	Mrs. A. E. Hayes	D. Lee Sanborn	1
East Chicago	14	Mrs. J. H. Simons	Josiah H. Simons	15
Elkhart	137	Albert S. Hall	Frank E. Knopf	2
Hammond	25	Geo. H. Lewis	Horace A. Holcomb	1
Hammond, Plymouth	10	C. A. Chambers		....
Hebron	43	Ida E. Fisher		....
Hobart	75	Samuel Carley	David W. Andrews	14
Michigan City	177	W. R. Corbin	Dwight P Breed	18
Michigan City—Emanuel, German	30	Hans Zumstein	Hans Zumstein	1
Ross	14	Wm. Gallagher		....
Whiting	13	Dr. J. F. Take	David A. Holman	1

Ministerial members, James B. Orr (Beloit), ministerial age, 2.

III. CENTRAL ASSOCIATON.

Rev. Frank N. Dexter, Registrar.

Formed at West Vigo, Nov. 15, 1867, with 9 churches; members 490. Now 26 churches, 1,706 members. Gain this year, 1 church, 34 members. Annual meeting in autumn, time and place fixed by committee.

Churches.	Members.	Clerks.	Ministers.	Ministerial Age.
Amboy	28	Angus J. Elleman	Myron T. Hartley	16
Anderson	22	T. C. Cadwgan		....
Beechwood	20	D. W. Youstler		....
Brightwood	10	Jacob J. Traub	John Harden	11
Camden	12	E. L. Brooks		....
Cardonia	18	Thos. Teal		....
Cedarwood	45	Flavius J. Hawes		...
Central	50	Benj. Pearson		....
Coal Bluff	38	James Hayes	James Hayes	11
Fort Recovery, Ohio	43	Miss Mary Durr	M. W. Diggs	34
Indianapolis, Plymouth	376	Miss Mary F. Algire	O. C. McCulloch	21
Indianapolis, Mayflower	193	Dr. W. S. Rawls	N. A. Hyde, D. D John W. Wilson	33 1
Indianapolis, Pilgrim	9	John Q. Jennings		....
Indianapolis, People's	58	Miss Anna Cooper	Frank N. Dexter	6
Indianapolis, Fellowship	15	Daniel M. Brown	Daniel M. Brown	12
Kokomo	117	Harry W. Vrooman	D. H. Snowden, D. D.	17
Liber	56	John J. Bockoven	John R. Mason	6
Macksville	105	David A. All	Howard H. Gilchrist	6
Marion	25	J. F. Carmichael	Thomas R. Quayle	14
Mauckport	21	B. F. Rissler		....
Perth	11	Elias Hilton		....
Peru	17	Miss L. E. Jamieson		....
Portland	9	Henry Moon	Henry Moon	1
Solsberry	50	H. M. Elliott		....
Terre Haute	311	Thomas H. Hite	John H. Crum, D. D.	...
Vigo, South	45	Robert Smith		....
Westchester	17	Miss L. Montgomery		....

Ministerial Members—Edward D. Curtis, 8; Wm. W. Goodman, 43; Chas. S. Warburton, 21.

Licentiates—Edwin L. Brooks, William A Bockoven, A. Lincoln Bosworth, Edward Roe, Richard Smith, Zaccheus Wills.

IV. SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION.

Rev. S. A. Mounts, Registrar.

Formed at Hosmer Church, September 15, 1889; members, 51; churches, 4. Now 4 churches, 66 members. Gain 15 members. Meeting 4th Tuesday of September.

Churches.	Members.	Clerks.	Ministers.	Ministerial Age.
Hosmer	14	Dr. J. T. Smith, Glezen P. O.	Thomas Smith	1
Oakland City	20	Wm. McCullough	Caleb Greene	11
Tennyson	12	Edward D. Gee		
Washington	22	John B. Spencer		

Ministerial Members—Thomas B. McCormick, 54; Levin Wilson, 32.
Licentiate—Rulifson W. Clark, Samuel A. Mounts.

STATISTICS OF CHURCHES FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1890.

Churches.	Organized.	Clerks.	Ministers.	Ordained.	Began Present Services.	Members.				Admissions.			Removals.				Baptisms.		Families.
						Male.	Female.	Total.	Absent.	Confession.	Letter.	Total.	Death.	Letter.	Discipline.	Total.	Adult.	Infant.	
Amboy	1890	Angus J. Elleman	Myron T. Hartley *p*	1875	1890	12	16	28	0	17	11	28	0	2	3	5	0	0	30
Anderson	1890	T. C. Cadwgan	Jas. McLaughlin *Lic*	.....	.....	8	14	22	0	8	14	22	0	5	0	5	.....	.....	17
Andrews	1883	Dr. J. S. Derbyshire	Francis C. Woodward *p*	1884	1890	10	21	31	.....	7	3	10	0	2	1	3	3	0	50
Angola	1869	Mrs. L. R. Williams	Charles A. Gleason *p*	1878	1890	11	48	59	3	16	9	25	2	4	0	6	10	0	75
Beachwood *a*	1884	D. W. Youstler	S. A. Mounts *Lic*	.....	1890	10	10	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11
Bremen	1874	Mrs. A. E. Hayes	D. Lee Sanborn *p*	1890	1890	9	17	26	2	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	20
Brightwood	1889	Jacob J. Traub	John Harden *p*	1879	1890	3	7	10	0	5	0	5	0	3	0	3	0	0	12
Cordonia	1879	Thomas Teal	James Hayes *p*	1879	1889	6	12	18	3	5	0	5	0	3	0	3	0	2	100
Cedarwood	1881	Flavius J. Hawes	S. A. Mounts *Lic*	.....	1890	23	22	45	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50
Central	1881	Benj. Pearson	S. A. Mounts *Lic*	.....	1890	25	25	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17
Coal Bluff	1888	R. W. Jas. Hayes	James Hayes *p*	1879	1887	13	25	38	4	4	2	6	0	2	4	6	0	4	100
East Chicago	1889	Mrs. J. H. Simons	Josiah H. Simons *p*	1876	1890	6	8	14	4	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	16
Elkhart	1869	Albert S. Hall	Frank E. Knopf *p*	1889	1889	40	97	137	7	16	6	22	1	2	0	3	7	1	80
Fairmount	1888	Mrs. A. B. Jackman	Samuel W. Pollard *p*	1885	1890	6	9	15	1	3	1	4	0	2	0	2	3	0	50
Ft. Wayne, Ply'th	1870	Philip L. Potter	James Stuart Ainslie *p*	1883	1890	31	67	98	10	0	5	5	2	3	16	21	0	1	100
Fremont	1874	Mrs. Marion White	Chas. A. Gleason *p*	1878	1891	8	20	28	8	2	2	4	1	0	12	13	0	0	25
Hammond, First	1887	George H. Lewis	Horace A. Holcomb *p*	1890	1890	14	11	25	0	12	0	12	0	0	0	0	4	0	28
Hammond, Ply'th	1889	C. A. Chambers	Vacant	.....	.....	4	6	10	2	4	5	9	0	0	2	2	1	1	10
Hebron	1882	Ida E. Fisher	Vacant	.....	.....	12	31	43	12	5	2	7	1	0	0	1	4	0	12
Hobart	1885	Samuel Carley	David W. Andrews *p*	1877	1885	30	45	75	10	10	5	15	1	2	12	15	0	7	25
Hosmer *b*	1887	Dr. F. T. Smith	Thomas Smith	1891	1891	4	8	12	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	12
Indianapolis, Plyth	1857	Mary F. Algire	Oscar C. McCulloch *p*	1870	1877	123	253	376	62	33	.....	33	6	5	0	11	10	16	250
" Mayflower	1869	Dr. W. S. Rawls	Nathaniel A. Hyde *p em* John W. Wilson *Lic*	1858 1891	1872 1891	64	129	193	46	1	1	2	0	4	0	4	1	0	100
" Pilgrim	1889	Mrs. Rosina Howe	Richard Smith *Lic*	.....	1891	4	5	9	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	25
" Peoples	1890	Miss Anna Cooper	Frank N. Dexter *p*	1885	1890	20	33	53	1	49	4	53	0	0	0	0	6	13	75
Jamestown *c*	1872	Miss Helen M. Gray	Albert A. Luce *p*	1890	1890	11	19	30	2	11	12	23	0	3	1	4	4	0	36
Kokomo	1863	Harry W. Vrooman	David Harold Snowden *p*	1874	1890	34	83	117	3	5	5	10	0	1	0	1	4	2	125
Lake Gage	1889	Frank Brown	David Q. Travis *p*	1889	1889	9	11	20	0	10	0	10	0	2	2	4	10	2	40
Liber	1854	John J. Bockoven	John R. Mason *p*	1885	1890	29	26	55	5	3	4	7	0	2	0	2	0	0	27

Macksville	1885	David H. All	Howard H. Gilchrist *p*	1885	1889	29	76	105	30	37	1	38	1	2	3	6	10	0	50
Marion	1889	Joseph F. Carmichael	Thomas R. Quayle	1872	1891	9	16	25	3	15	0	15	0	0	0	0	6	0	45
Maucksport	1885	B. F. Rissler	S. A. Mounts *Lic*		1890	10	11	21	0				0	0	6	6			14
Michigan City	1835	W. R. Corbin	Dwight P. Breed *p*	1873	1889	47	130	177	30	10	11	21	2	5	1	8	4	8	140
			Hans Zumstein *asso. p*	1890	1890														
Oakland City	1852	Wm. McCullough	Vacant			5	15	20	0										
Ontario	1840	Mrs. Ellen Chesbro	Jared R. Preston *p*	1865	1889	21	27	48	20	0	0	0	0	7	12	19	0	0	38
Orland	1836	Mrs. Julia Wilder	David Q. Travis *p*	1889	1889	27	63	90	0	5	2	7	0	1	7	8	4	0	50
Perth	1889	Elias Hilton	James Hayes (Coal Bluff) *p*	1879	1888	6	5	11	0	7	0	7	0	0	9	9	0	0	75
Peru	1877	Miss Lizzie Jamieson	Vacant			5	12	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
Portland	1887	Henry Moon	John R. Mason	1885	1890	4	5	9	0	0	0	0	0	2	6	8	0	0	6
Ross	1888	Wm. Gallagher	David W. Andrews *p*	1877	1888	6	8	14	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	12
Solsberry	1868	Henry M. Elliott	Vacant			19	31	50	0	0	0	0	1	5	14	20	0	0	17
Tennyson	1887	Deacon Edwin D. Gee	Vacant			5	7	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
Terre Haute	1834	Thomas M. Hite	John H. Crum *p*	1862	1889	81	230	311	34	23	10	33	2	6	1	9			250
Vigo, South *d*	1854	Deacon Robert Smith T. Haute P. O.	Howard H. Gilchrist *p*	1885	1889	19	26	45	9	2	0	2	0	1	0	1	0	1	25
Washington	1890	R. W. Clark	Rulifson W. Clark *Lic*		1890	8	14	22	0	10	12	22	0	0	0	0			20
West Chester	1861	Miss Laura Montgomery	Edward L. Brooks *Lic*		1890	6	11	17	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
Whiting	1890	Dr. J. F. Take	David A. Holman	1891	1890	4	9	13	0	5	8	13	0	0	0	0			30
OTHER STATES.																			
Fort Recovery, O	1854	W. Robins	Marshall W. Digg	1857	1863	20	25	45	2	6	1	7	1	2	0	3	3	0	18
Total, 48.			Total			910	1799	2709	331	349	140	489	23	80	112	215	94	91	2237

a. New Amsterdam P. O.

b. Glezen P. O.

c. Crooked Creek P. O.

d. Terre Haute P. O.

CHURCHES—*Added*, Amboy, Anderson, Peoples (Indianapolis), Washington, and Whiting; 5.
Dropped, Lanesville, Muncie, Pleasant; 3.
Name Changed, Indianapolis, West, to Pilgrim Church, Indianapolis.

MINISTERS—*Ordained*, Horace A. Holcomb, D. Lee Sanborn; 2.
Death, Rev. Lewis Wilson; 1.

NOTE.—Indianapolis Fellowship Church, Rev. D. M. Brown, Pastor; Michigan City Emanuel German, Camden (Pennville P. O.); Lake Station, and Porter (Hageman P. O.), have been organized since January 1, 1891.

STATISTICS OF CHURCHES FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1890.

Churches.	Sunday Schools.						Benevolent Contributions.										
	Superintendents.	Members.	Average Attendance.	Ad. to Ch.	Benevolent Contributi's.	Y. P. S. C. E.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Church Building.	Home Missions.	Am. Mis. As.	Sun. Schools.	New West.	Ministr'l Aid.	Other.	Total.	Legacies.	Home Expend'res.
Amboy	Angus J. Elleman	65	50	3	$0	0	$6	$0	$0	$5	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$11	$0	$1500
Anderson	T. C. Cadwgau	50	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	200
Andrews	Mrs. Luella Derbyshire	60	40	0	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1330
Angola	Mrs. Hattie Van Alstyne	90	60	5	0	50	10	0	47	58	0	0	0	0	0	115	0	2230
Beachwood	John M. Trotter	40	30	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	350
Bremen	N. A. Herring	90	65	0	5	60	4	0	0	11	0	3	0	0	5	23	0	125
Brightwood	Rev. John Harden	60	37	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	640
Cardonia	Thomas Teal	175	135	0	0	0	3	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	125
Cedarwood	Henry Davidson	40	30	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	100
Central	Benjamin Pearson	38	25	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	90
Coal Bluff	Joseph E. Hickman	150	75	0	4	0	8	0	5	10	0	1	0	0	4	76	0	225
East Chicago	L. T. Loucks	55	45	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	690
Elkhart	Augustus P. Kent	160	98	2	15	74	54	20	9	138	29	2	0	0	15	267	0	1555
Fairmount	Levi Scott	130	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	500
Fort Wayne, Plymouth	Wm. V. Douglass	143	87	0	2	36	33	13	8	38	3	2	3	0	2	102	0	1744
Fremont	Rev. Thomas R. Egerton	60	45	0	0	0	10	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	35	60	0	322
Hammond, First	Edward Murray	90	70	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	717
" Plymouth	C. A. Chambers	100	80	1	1	0	5	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	1	9	0	280
Hebron	Charles B. Sherwood	50	35	2	6	0	23	0	0	24	0	0	0	0	26	73	0	386
Hobart	Emil Stetlow	100	80	6	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	300
Hosmer	Rev. Thomas Smith	110	80	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	125
Indianapolis, Plymouth	Alexander Johnson	250	169	7	60	0	23	0	291	64	0	0	0	0	1000	1378	0	6055
" Mayflower	Frank E. Olin	135	120	0	5	25	175	10	0	83	0	0	0	0	270	538	0	1300
" Pilgrim	John Q. Jennings	115	65	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	500
" Peoples	Malcolm Cogswell	85	50	0	1	45	2	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	1750
Jamestown	Edward B. Clark	120	40	8	0	31	1	0	2	10	0	1	0	0	0	14	0	397
Kokomo	W. L. Clause	140	75	2	0	29	68	0	50	22	0	0	0	0	0	140	0	2200
Lake Gage	Melville Van Wagoner	60	32	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	0	700
Liber	Mrs. M. J. Weber	90	66	0	0	25	13	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	21	0	700

Macksville	Mrs. Belle Gilchrist	75	55	16	8	40	8	0	14	19	0	0	0	0	33	74	0	1212
Marion	Joseph R. Carmichael	130	75	5	0	20	1	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	600
Mauckport		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35
Michigan City	Albert Nichols	400	240	4	12	63	99	0	0	162	0	32	0	0	225	518	0	2195
Oakland City		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ontario	Jacob J. Davidson	65	55	0	0	0	3	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	350
Orland	Milton T. Rose	107	75	3	0	52	10	0	376	80	0	0	0	22	24	412	0	790
Perth	Isaac Hilton	55	35	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25
Peru		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Portland	Henry E. Moon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	200
Ross	Mrs. Wm. Gallagher	40	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Solsberry	E. F. Torrence	150	95	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	40
Tennyson	Edwin D. Gee	50	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
Terre Haute	Charles C. Oakey	526	303	18	287	95	340	236	16	1192	85	21	12	0	602	2474	0	5922
Vigo, South	Samuel Elliott	30	25	0	5	0	5	0	0	5	0	1	0	0	6	17	0	145
Washington	R. W. Clark	150	120	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	250
West Chester	Sherman George	48	30	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	40
Whiting	David A. Holman	80	55	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	250
OTHER STATES.																		
Fort Recovery, Ohio	G. W. Krenning	120	85	0	0	0	8	0	5	12	5	0	0	0	0	32	0	242
	Totals	4927	3229	91	$411	617	$917	$280	$785	$2003	$92	$63	$15	$22	$2253	$6432	$0	$39292

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Connected with the General Association of Indiana, with year of ordination, employment, post-office address and the initials of the local associations with which they are connected. (Please notify the Secretary promptly of changes and corrections.)

NAME.	When Ordained.	EMPLOYMENT.	POST-OFFICE.	Local Association.
Ainslie, James Stuart	1882	Minister	Fort Wayne	N. E.
Andrews, David W.	1877	Minister	Hobart	N. W.
Breed, Dwight P.	1873	Minister	Michigan City	N. W.
Brown, Daniel M	1879	Minister	Indianapolis	Cent.
Crum, John H.	1862	Minister	Terre Haute	Cent.
Curtis, Edward D.	1883	Supt. A. H. M. S.	Indianapolis	Cent.
Curtis, Leander	1856	Farmer	East Gilead, Mich.	N. E.
Dexter, Frank	1885	Minister	Indianapolis	Cent.
Diggs, Marshall W.	1857	Minister	Fort Recovery, O.	Cent.
Gilchrist, Howard H.	1885	Minister	Macksville	Cent.
Gleason, Charles A.	1878	Minister	Angola	N. E.
Goodman, Wm. W.	1848	Farmer	Macksville	Cent.
Greene, Caleb	1880	W. C.	Oakland City	S.
Harden, John	1879	Minister	Brightwood	Cent.
Hartley, Myron T.	1875	Minister	Amboy	Cent.
Hayes, James	1879	Minister	Coal Bluff	Cent.
Holcomb, Horace A.	1890	Minister	Hammond	N. W.
Holman, David A	1891	Minister	Whiting	N. W.
Hyde, Nathaniel A.	1858	Pres. H. M. Society.	Indianapolis	Cent.
Knopf, Frank E.	1889	Minister	Elkhart	N. W.
Luce, Albert A.	1889	Minister	Crooked Creek	N. E.
Mason, John R.	1885	Minister	Portland	Cent.
McCormick, Thomas B.	1837	Retired	Princeton	S.
McCulloch, Oscar C.	1870	Minister	Indianapolis	Cent.
Moon, Henry E.	1891	Evangelist	Portland	Cent.
Orr, James B.	1889	Student	Beloit, Wis.	N. W.
Pollard, Samuel W.	1885	Minister	Fairmount	Cent.
Preston, Jared R.	1865	Minister	Ontario	N. E.
Quayle, Thomas R	1877	Minister	Marion	Cent.
Safford, George B.	1858	W. C.	New York City	N. E.
Sanborn, D. Lee	1890	Minister	Bremen	N. W.
Simons, Josiah H.	1876	Minister	East Chicago	N. W.
Smith, Thomas	1891	Minister	Glezen	S.
Snowden, David Harold	1874	Minister	Kokomo	Cent.
Travis, David Q.	1889	Minister	Orland	N. E.
Warburton, Charles A.	1870	Sec. Business	Indianapolis	Cent.
Wiedenhoeft, Wm.	1889	Minister	Hemingford, Neb.	Cent.
Williams, Wm. H.	1875	Minister	Springfield, Mo.	Cent.
Wilson, Levin	....	Retired	Cynthiana	S.
Wilson, John W.	....	Minister	Indianapolis	Cent.
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Zumstein, Hans	....	Minister	Michigan City	N. W.

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Bockoven, William A	Portland.
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On Sunday-School Home Missionary Collections—Rev. John Harden.

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1859	Indianapolis	Prof. William Twining	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.
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1876	Michigan City	Rev. A. S. Wood	Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde.
1877	Fort Wayne	Rev. Evarts Kent	Rev. Evarts Kent.
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1882	Michigan City	Rev. Robert McCune	Rev. Robert McCune.
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1892	Kokomo	Rev. John H. Crum, D. D.	Rev. James Stuart Ainslie.

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OUR SEVEN BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES.

THE AMERICAN BOARD.—Headquarters, Congregational House, Boston. Treasurer, Langdon S. Ward; Secretaries, Rev. N. G. Clark, D. D., Rev. E. K. Alden, D. D., Rev. Judson Smith, D. D.; District Secretary, Rev. A. N. Hitchcock, Ph. D., 151 Washington Street, Chicago. Income for the year ending September 1, 1891, $824,812.59.

AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.—Headquarters, Bible House, New York. Treasurer, Rev. A. H. Clapp, D. D.; Secretaries, Rev. D. B. Coe, D. D., Rev. J. B. Clark, D. D., Rev. William Kincaid, D. D., Rev. Washington Choate, D. D.; Superintendent for Indiana, Rev. Edward D. Curtis. Income for the year ending April 1, 1891, $702,144.45.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH BUILDING SOCIETY.—Headquarters, 59 Bible House, New York. Treasurer, H. O. Pinneo; Secretary, Rev. L. H. Cobb, D. D.; Field Secretary, Rev. C. H. Taintor, 151 Washington Street, Chicago. Income for the year, $168,442.54.

AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.—Headquarters, Bible House, New York. Treasurer, H. W. Hubbard; Corresponding Secretaries, Rev. M. E. Strieby, D. D., Rev. A. F. Beard, D. D., Rev. F. P. Woodbury, D. D.; District Secretary, Rev. J. E. Roy, D. D., 151 Washington Street, Chicago. Income for the year ending September 30, 1891, $482,419.21.

AMERICAN COLLEGE AND EDUCATION SOCIETY.—Headquarters, Congregational House, Boston. Secretary and Treasurer, Rev. J. A. Hamilton, D. D.; Western Secretary, Rev. T. Y. Gardner, 151 Washington Street, Chicago; College Field Secretary, Rev. J. L. Maile. Income for the year ending April 30, 1892, $219,205.29.

CONG. S. S. AND PUBLISHING SOCIETY.—Headquarters, Congregational House, Boston. Missionary Department—Treasurer, E. Lawrence Barnard; Secretary, Rev. G. M. Boynton, D. D.; Superintendent for Indiana, Rev. W. F. McMillen, 175 Wabash Ave., Chicago. Income for the year ending April 30, 1891, $62,055.65.

NEW WEST EDUCATION COMMISSION.—Sustains schools and academies in Utah and adjacent states. Headquarters, 151 Washington Street, Chicago. Treasurer, William H. Hubbard, The Rookery, Chicago; Secretary, Rev. Charles R. Bliss; Assistant Secretary, George M. Herrick. Income for the year ending July 1, 1891, $75,301.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. This Association shall be called "The General Association of the Congregational Churches and Ministers of Indiana."

ART. II. This Association shall not exercise any judicial authority over the ministers and churches belonging to it, but its object shall be to promote Christian love and fellowship among its members; to obtain and disseminate religious information relative to the churches throughout our State, our country, and the world, and to strive together in prayers and counsels and faithful efforts to advance the cause of truth and holiness. It shall hold annual meetings.

ART. III. Evangelical churches of the Congregational order may each be represented by its pastor and three delegates, and any minister shall be entitled to a seat in this body, provided that such churches or ministers shall have first joined the District Association within whose bounds they are located, and all members of constituent churches who may be in attendance at any meeting of this Association shall be permitted to share in all its sessions, but without the responsibility of voting.

ART. IV. At least one sermon shall be preached at each annual meeting, and the preacher shall be appointed at the previous meeting.

ART. V. At each annual meeting each church is expected to furnish, by its pastor, delegates, or otherwise, a written statistical report of the number of members, male and female; additions during the last year, by profession and by letter; removals by dismissal, death or excommunication; baptisms, adult or infant, Sabbath-school teachers and scholars; contributions to benevolent objects.

ART. VI. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator and Scribe, elected annually by ballot, and a Secretary, elected triennially by ballot, who shall be, *ex officio*, the Treasurer of the Association.

ART. VII. It shall be the duty of the Scribe to keep full and accurate minutes of the transaction of the Association, and, after

they have been adopted, to place them in the hands of the Secretary.

ART. VIII. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to give due notice, through the public papers, of the time and place of each meeting; to read the rules of the Association at the opening session; carefully to record such parts of the minutes of each meeting as may not be printed; to receive statistical reports from the churches, and prepare the same for publication; to send a notice to all the Scribes of local Associations, not more than three months or less than one month before the annual meeting of the State Association, that they are expected to present a written report to the meeting of the state of religion within their bounds; to receive and distribute publications presented to the Association, and to preserve for the Association all communications addressed to it. As Treasurer, he shall have charge of all moneys belonging to the Association, and shall disburse the same as the Association shall direct. He shall, annually, present a report of the state of the treasury, and also state the sum, in his opinion, necessary to be raised for the ensuing year.

ART. IX. Five members will be requisite to form a quorum for the transaction of business; but for opening and adjourning the meeting a less number shall be competent.

ART. X. The annual meeting of this Association shall be held on the second Wednesday of May, commencing at 7:30 o'clock P. M., and shall remain in session until the ensuing Friday evening.

ART. XI. This constitution may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of the Association by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS.

1. Every daily session shall open with prayer and close with prayer and benediction.

2. Statistical reports shall be written and filed with the Secretary.

3. Ministers in good standing, connected with other bodies of Evangelical Christians, may be invited to sit as Corresponding Delegates.

4. Delegates presenting themselves for seats in the Association shall present satisfactory evidence that they have authority from the churches to represent the same.

5. Unfinished business shall ordinarily occupy the attention of the Association before new subjects are introduced.

6. Resolutions should be committed to writing, and motions be seconded, and repeated by the Moderator, or read aloud, before they are open to debate.

7. Any member personally present at the annual meeting of any corresponding body is authorized to represent this Association in the failure of the regularly appointed delegate, and a copy of this by-law shall be his credentials.

8. An assessment shall be asked by the Secretary from the churches sufficient to provide for printing and circulating the Minutes and other incidental expenses.

MINUTES.

The thirty-fourth annual meeting of the General Association of Congregational Ministers and Churches of Indiana convened with the First Congregational Church of Kokomo, Wednesday, May 11, 1892, at 7:30 P. M.

The opening sermon was preached by Rev. James Stuart Ainslie, from Jer. ix : 23, 24, "Worthy Aims in Life."

THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 12.

At 8:30 devotional services were conducted by Rev. James Hayes.

ROLL.

The roll of ministers and delegates was completed as follows:

Churches.	*Ministers.*	*Delegates.*
Amboy		Jos. Elleman.
		Mrs. C. D. Bond.
Anderson	W. C. Gordon	Miss Lizzie Lewis.
		Mrs. W. B. Cutter.
Andrews	W. A. Burroughs	David Linn.
Angola	H. O. Spelman	
Brightwood	John Harden	
Cardonia	Jas. Hayes	
Coal Bluff	Jas. Hayes	Wm. Hodges.
Elkhart	F. E. Knopf	Mrs. H. F. Smith.
		Mrs. D. F. Coe.
Fairmount	S. W. Pollard	
Ft. Wayne	J. S. Ainslie	Mrs. W. E. Mossman.
		Mrs. Frank Weldon.
Hosmer	Thos. Smith	

Churches.	*Ministers.*	*Delegates.*
Indpls., Plymouth		W. A. Bell.
		Mrs. W. A. Bell.
		Miss Julia Bassett.
" Mayflower	J. W. Wilson	C. J. Buchanan.
	N. A. Hyde, D. D., P. Em	F. W. Olin.
		Mrs. W. F. Brunner.
" Peoples	F. N. Dexter	Miss Annie Cooper.
		Miss S. J. Cummings.
" Pilgrim	R. Smith, *Lic*	Richard Smith, *Lic.*
" Fellowship		Mrs. C. M. Defrees.
Kokomo	D. H. Snowden, D. D	Henry Davis.
		Ithamar Russell.
Lake Gage		Mrs. Jos. Butler.
Liber		C. L. Bosworth.
Marion	Rev. T. R. Quayle	
Michigan City	Rev. D. P. Breed, D. D.	Dea. Solomon Coles.
Perth	Rev. J. Hayes	
Terre Haute, 1st	Rev. J. H. Crum, D. D.	Dr. W. R. Elder.
		John G. Aikman.
		Mrs. L. B. Weinstein.
" " 2d		Miss E. B. Warren.
Whiting	Rev. J. M. Lyon	J. M. Lyon.

DELEGATES AT LARGE.

Rev. E. D. Curtis, D. D., Supt. A. H. M. S.
Rev. C. A. Gleason, Sec'y Ridgeville College.

VISITING DELEGATES.

From Mayflower Church, Indianapolis—Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Cramer, Mrs. F. W. Olin, Mrs. J. W. Wilson, Mrs. A. J. Whitehead, Mrs. T. P. Sanborn, Mrs. S. W. S. Moore, Mrs. C. H. Gillette, Mrs. E. J. Fiscus, Mrs. C. J. Buchanan, Mrs. Mary E. Perry.

From Ridgeville—Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Sumption, N. B. Hiatt, H. Kitselman, Prof. W. C. Kruse, Prof. C. W. Macomber, Prof. W. B. Starr, Prof. D. N. Vance,

Prof. and Mrs. O. A. White, Mrs. L. N. Cook, Mrs. J. Lay, Miss Winnie Thomas, Miss Minnie Studebacker.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

Rev. Geo. H. Gutterson, Missionary A. B. C. F. M. in India.

Rev. C. C. Creegan, D. D., Field Secretary A. B. C. F. M.

Rev. W. Kincaid, D. D., Secretary A. H. M. S.

Rev. W. F. McMillen, Superintendent C. S. S. & P. Society.

Rev. L. H. Cobb, D. D., Secretary C. C. B. S.

Rev. John A. Hamilton, D. D., Secretary A. C. & E. Society.

Rev. W. E. C. Wright, Field Superintendent A. M. A.

Rev. D. Griffin Gunn, D. D., Rector P. E. Church, Kokomo.

Rev. J. S. Butler, Pastor M. E. Church.

Rev. S. M. Smothers, A. M. E. Church.

Rev. Ross Ghering, M. E. Church.

Rev. Levi White, Bureau Congregational Association of Illinois.

ORGANIZATION

Was effected by the election of Rev. John H. Crum, D. D., Moderator, and Rev. J. M. Lyon, Scribe; Rev. F. N. Dexter was elected Press Reporter, and Mr. W. F. Brunner Railroad Secretary.

Prayer was offered by the Moderator.

Rev. C. A. Gleason was elected member of the Business Committee vice Rev. O. C. McCulloch, deceased.

The Business Committee presented the printed programme, recommending same as the order of business of this body.

The recommendation was adopted.

Reports of the condition of the churches were read by Registrars of the local Associations supplemented by written and verbal reports from many of the churches.

Rev. D. P. Breed, D. D., proposed the following amendments to the Constitution—to be made an order of business in the A. M. session to-morrow:

AMENDMENT OF ARTICLE V OF CONSTITUTION.

By striking out all of said article following the word "meeting" in the first line and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "A committee of three shall be appointed on Narrative on the State of Religion. It shall be requested that the Registrars of local Associations present to the chairman of this committee on the first day of the succeeding annual meeting the reports from the several churches of their respective bodies as presented at their last preceding meeting, and such other information as they may have gained from authentic sources, from which material this committee shall formulate a Narrative on the State of Religion, report the same to this body, and the same being approved by the Association shall be published in the Annual Minutes."

Adopted.

Amend Article VIII by following the word "the" in the tenth line with the words "Committee on Narrative on the State of Religion," in lieu of the word "meeting" in said line.

Adopted.

After singing the Association was addressed by Mrs. W. F. Brunner, of Indianapolis, Mrs. E. M. Williams, of Chicago, and Mrs. E. D. Mardin, of Hadjin, Turkey.

After singing "Christ for the world we sing," and prayer by Rev. Dr. Hyde, recess was taken until 2 P. M.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

The Association convened at 2 P. M., and was called to order by the Moderator.

Prayer was offered by Rev. D. P. Breed.

Papers were read on "How May the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor be made an Efficient Auxiliary of the Church?"

(1) "Considered from the Pastor's Point of View," by Rev. H. O. Spelman.

(2) "Considered from the Society's Point of View," by Miss S. Jean Cummings, of Indianapolis.

The discussion that followed was participated in by Revs. F. N. Dexter, C. A. Gleason, and T. R. Quayle.

On motion the discussion was arrested and the regular business of the session resumed.

The Business Committee recommended the appointment of the following committees, viz.:

1. On Resolutions.
2. On Ridgeville College.
3. On Place and Preacher of next Meeting.
4. On Temperance.
5. Delegate to National Council.
6. On Finance.
7. On Sunday Closing of the World's Fair.
8. Auditing Committee.

The recommendation was adopted, and the Moderator was instructed to appoint same.

The financial report was presented by the Treasurer, Rev. Dr. N. A. Hyde, and referred to the Auditing Committee.

The Moderator appointed the following committees, viz.:

On Ridgeville College—Revs. D. P. Breed, E. D. Curtis and D. H. Snowden.

On Temperance—Revs. J. S. Ainslie, Thos. Quayle and Mr. Richard Smith.

On Sunday Closing of World's Fair—Revs. Dr. Hyde, Jno. Harden and James Hayes.

On Place and Preacher of next Meeting—Rev. F. N. Dexter, Dr. W. R. Elder and Prof. W. A. Bell.

The Sunday-school Committee reported through its Chairman, Rev. J. S. Ainslie.

On motion the report was accepted, its recommendations adopted, and the committee was continued another year.

The Committee on Printing the State Minutes was requested to use its discretion in regard to printing the Sunday-school Committee's report in same.

The Business Committee presented a memorial from the Congregational Association of New Jersey, relating to the reorganization of the American Board in such a way as to make it directly representative of the churches.

It was referred to a committee consisting of Revs. J. H. Crum, D. D., D. P. Breed and J. S. Ainslie, who reported as follows:

WHEREAS, The American Board is no longer the missionary agency of several denominations, but is now the foreign missionary society of the Congregational Churches only; and,

WHEREAS, There is a wide-spread and growing feeling of dissatisfaction with the present method of organization of the Board as a close corporation, not in harmony with Congregational principles, therefore,

Resolved, That we, the representatives of the Churches of Indiana, are in favor of a reorganization of the American Board in such a way as to make it more distinctly representative of the Congregational Churches; believing that such a change would better express and develop the interest and coöperation of the churches in missionary work.

REV. J. H. CRUM, Chairman.
REV. J. S. AINSLIE.
REV. D. P. BREED.

The report was adopted, and the Secretary of the Association was instructed to send a copy of the same to

the General Association of New Jersey and to the secretaries of the American Board.

On motion, it was ordered that a committee be appointed to revise the Constitution of this Association, including its doctrinal basis.

At 3:30 P. M. a recess was taken until 7:30 P. M., giving place to representatives of the Indiana Women's H. M. Union, Rev. Thos. Smith, of Glezen, and Miss Mary Sawyer (A. M. A.), who occupied the remainder of the afternoon.

THURSDAY EVENING.

Association was called to order by the Moderator at 7:30 P. M., and was opened with singing and prayer by Rev. D. P. Breed, D. D.

The Moderator announced the following committees:

On Finance—Rev. J. M. Lyon and Messrs. W. F. Brunner and J. B. Aikman.

On Delegates to the National Council—Revs. J. S. Ainslie, Frank E. Knopf and Prof. W. A. Bell.

On Resolutions—Revs. J. W. Wilson, H. O. Spelman and Mr. C. J. Buchanan.

Auditing Committee—Rev. W. C. Gordon, Mr. F. W. Olin and Dea. Solomon Coles.

On Revision of the Constitution, By-Laws and Creed—Revs. Dwight P. Breed, D. D., Jas. Stuart Ainslie, Nathaniel A. Hyde, D. D., Edward D. Curtis, D. D.; Frank E. Knopf.

Addresses were made by Mrs. Lydia T. Bailey, of Astoria, Wash., representing A. H. M. S.; Rev. C. C.

Creegan, D. D., of Boston, Secretary A. B. C. F. M., and Rev. G. H. Gutterson, Missionary to India.

Dr. Creegan gave the benediction and adjournment was taken until 9:30 A. M. Friday.

FRIDAY MORNING, MAY 12.

After a visit to the Diamond Plate Glass Works, the Association convened at 9:30 and engaged in a half hour of devotion, conducted by Rev. John Harden.

Rev. John W. Wilson read a paper on "The Permanent Elements in the Christian Faith."

Rev. W. C. Gordon read a paper on "The Live Church."

The discussion which followed was participated in by Drs. Curtis and Creegan, Revs. Quayle and Knopf, Mr. Brunner and Sup't McMillen.

A paper—in memoriam Rev. Oscar C. McCulloch—was read by Prof. W. A. Bell, of Indianapolis.

Rev. F. E. Knopf presented the following resolution, which was adopted, viz.:

Resolved, That in the death of REV. OSCAR C. MCCULLOCH, pastor of Plymouth Church, Indianapolis, this Association has lost one of its most beloved and efficient members, and that the Christian Church at large has lost one of its most learned and most consecrated ministers, and that the poor, the halt, the blind, the feeble folk of this entire land, has lost one of their most sympathetic, devoted and self-sacrificing friends.

Resolved, That we extend to Mr. McCulloch's bereaved church and his much more bereaved family our heartfelt Christian sympathy.

The amendments to Articles V and VIII, proposed by Rev. D. P. Breed, D. D., were adopted.

The Committee on Ridgeville College made the following report. On motion, the report was laid on the table until 2 P. M.:

WHEREAS, During the past year the charter and valuable properties of Ridgeville College, located at Ridgeville, Randolph county, Indiana, have been, by free gift, transferred from the hands of the Free Baptists to those of certain members of this body and of Congregational Churches in this state.

WHEREAS, The expressed purpose and desire of these brethren in accepting the above named gift is to provide and maintain within our bounds a Christian college of high literary and Christian character, under Congregational control.

Resolved, (1) That we recognize the hand of Divine Providence in bringing to us this means of completing our equipment for Congregational work in this state; that we commend the action of those who, for the sake of Christ's cause as entrusted to us in Indiana, have assumed this important and onerous trust; that we assure them of our hearty sympathy; that we do adopt Ridgeville College in the name of the Congregational Churches of the state as *our College*, and will do all in our power to support and advance its interests.

Resolved, (2) That we extend to the agent of the College invitation to our churches and pulpits, and commend him to favor in his search for students and money for our College.

Resolved, (3) That we commend this College to the American College and Education Society for its influential endorsement and its liberal financial aid.

Resolved, (4) That we extend to the Faculty of Ridgeville College our assurances of confidence and of lively interest in their work in connection with this institution.

D. P. BREED.
E. D. CURTIS.
D. H. SNOWDEN.

Amendment to the Constitution as to time of meeting, proposed by Rev. F. E. Knopf last year, was brought up and laid on the table.

The Committee on Place and Preacher reported, recommending Ridgeville as the place, with Rev. F. E. Knopf for Preacher with Rev. David H. Snowden, D. D., as Alternate.

The report was adopted.

After prayer and benediction by Rev. J. W. Wilson, recess was taken until 1:30 P. M.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

Association was called to order at 1:30 P. M. by the Moderator.

After prayer by the Scribe, the Moderator announced the following committees, viz.:

On Programme—Revs. C. A. Gleason, W. C. Gordon, J. M. Lyon.

On Business—Rev. J. S. Ainslie, Mr. W. F. Brunner, Rev. S. W. Pollard.

Committee on Finance reported as follows:

Your committee has had placed in its hands the following figures:

Present *deficit* in the treasury, including amount due last year to the National Council	$41 97	
	38 76	
		$80 73
Amount due National Council July 7, 1892		39 96
Expense of publishing 500 copies of the State Minutes		80 00
Incidental expenses of present session of State Association, programmes, postage, etc		10 00
Total to be provided for prior to July 1, 1892		$210 69

These figures confront your committee, which is largely composed of business men who believe that the same principles should hold in the conduct of church and association finances that obtain among honorable and successful business houses.

Your committee is also confronted with the Pauline injunction to "owe no man anything," and it believes that the application of this rule to the individual Christian is no more *imperatively* binding than it is upon *associated* Christianity, upon the basis of *honor* alone. Your committee believes that this Association should pay its *bills when due.*

We therefore recommend that a special assessment of $215 be made upon the Local Associations in the sums hereafter indicated, the same to be collected by the Registrars and paid over to the

Treasurer of this Association prior to July 1, 1892, and that the same be applied to the liquidation of the obligations before enumerated.

Northeastern Association	$27
Northwestern Association	38
Central Association	145
Southern Association	5
Total	$215

Your committee further recommend that the next regular annual assessment of this Association be seven cents per resident member, as shown by the minutes of 1892, to be paid by the Churches after January 1, 1893, and prior to the next annual meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. LYON,
W. F. BRUNNER,
JOHN G. AIKMAN,
Committee.

Their report and recommendations were adopted, the committee continued and instructed to prepare and have printed a circular embodying substantially the report of the committee, the same to be sent by the Registrars of Local Associations with the assessments to the Churches.

The Committee on the Sunday closing of the World's Fair, presented the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the question of opening the Columbian Fair on Sunday is one of grave importance to the American people. We believe the civil, social and religious institutions which distinguish this country could not have become what they are had not the Christian Sabbath been regarded, from the beginning, as a day to be sacredly kept for rest from labor and for religious instruction and worship. We therefore deprecate any encroachments which threaten to rob the American people of this sacred day of rest. Our Sunday is a part of our goodly heritage; we can not afford to imperil it. The opening of the World's Fair to visitors on Sundays and receiving their money for admission would be a conspicuous violation of the traditions of our history and an offense against the moral convictions of the good people of the land; it would also tend to break down the barriers which now guard our Sunday as a day of rest for the laboring classes in whose behalf especially, the plea for an open Sunday is made.

Resolved, That the sale of intoxicating liquors on the grounds of the Columbian Fair, in our judgment will exert a most harmful influence throughout the country. It will be an indorsement of the public sale of liquors which every saloon keeper in the land can quote as a justification of his destructive business.

N. A. HYDE.
JOHN HARDEN.
JAMES HAYES.

The report was adopted and the committee was instructed to add to the report "That this Association favor the national grant of $5,000,000 or $7,000,000 in aid of the World's Fair, conditioned upon its being closed on Sunday; and that copies of the report be sent to the Senate and House of representatives, and to the managers of the Columbian Exposition."

The Committee on Temperance reported as follows and the report was adopted.

In view of the familiar evils of intemperance and organized liquor traffic, which constitute one continuous disaster to the nation,

Resolved, That we pledge ourselves to strive incessantly for the adoption of the principles of total abstinence for the individual and the prohibition of the liquor traffic in the State and nation; and we pledge ourselves in every legitimate way to work for the attainment of this end.

REV. JAS. S. AINSLIE,
REV. T. R. QUAYLE,
REV. RICHARD SMITH,
Committee.

The Committee on Delegates to the National Council reported the names of Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., as primary, and Rev. D. H. Snowden, D. D., LL. D., alternate, which was adopted.

Dr. E. D. Curtis and Rev. C. A. Gleason addressed the body on the relation of Ridgeville College to the Churches.

At 2:30 the report of the Committee on Ridgeville College was taken from the table, and the order of the

day suspended for three-minute speeches to the resolutions presented in the report. Rev. Dr. J. A. Hamilton, of Boston, Prof. W. C. Kruse, of Ridgeville College, and Rev. J. S. Ainslie, spoke to same, after which the report was adopted.

On motion, it was ordered that a standing committee of three on Ridgeville College be appointed by the Moderator, which committee shall constitute the official Board of Visitors of this body to said College.

The order being resumed, a paper on "Christian Unity" was read by Rev. Dr. Hyde.

The Moderator announced as Committee on Ridgeville College, Prof. W. A. Bell, of Indianapolis; Rev. J. M. Lyon, of Whiting; Howard F. Smith, of Elkhart.

At 3:00 P. M. the Association took a recess until 7:30 P. M., giving place to the annual meeting of the Indiana Home Missionary Society. See Appendix B.

FRIDAY EVENING.

At 7:30 the Association was called to order. Dr. E. D. Curtis in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Rev. W. F. McMillen.

The Auditing Committee reported upon the Treasurer's report.

Your committee appointed to audit the report and vouchers of the Treasurer of this Association would respectfully report that we have performed that duty and find the same correct as read, with the exception of one item, shown as an error in transcribing. This is an error of eighty-one cents in favor of the Treasurer, and leaves the deficit $42.78 instead of $41.97, as reported.

Respectfully submitted, W. C. GORDON,
SOLOMON COLES.
FRANK W. OLIN.

The report was adopted.

The Committee on Resolutions presented the following report, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, Our Heavenly Father's rich blessing has been with us during the meetings of this Association, we render unto him our thanksgiving and praise.

Resolved, That we gratefully acknowledge the cordial reception and hearty fellowship extended to us by this Church, which for so many years has been most honored and useful among us, and we rejoice to learn of its present prosperity and its prospect for larger fruitfulness in the future. We extend our most sincere and heartfelt thanks to the members of this Church, their Entertainment Committee, and their honored Pastor, Rev. D. H. Snowden, D. D., for their bountiful provision for our comfort and happiness.

Our thanks are due to the choir and others who have furnished us with such delightful and appropriate music at our evening sessions. We appreciate, also, the courtesies of the Diamond Plate Glass Company shown us through its superintendent, Mr. M. P. Elliott.

We acknowledge our indebtedness to the railroads that have granted reduced rates to our delegates; and we express our thanks to our Railroad Secretary, Mr. W. F. Brunner, through whose influence and efforts these accommodations have been secured.

And, finally, we desire, in this public way, to express our appreciation to all the representatives of our various benevolent societies who, by their presence, encouragement and excellent addresses, have added to the interest and power of these meetings. We sincerely desire that, during the coming year, all our churches may coöperate heartily with them in their work of evangelizing the world for Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. WILSON,
H. O. SPELMAN,
C. J. BUCHANAN,
Committee.

The minutes were read and adopted.

Addresses were made by Rev. W. E. C. Wright, Field Supt. A. M. A.; Rev. John A. Hamilton, D. D., Sec'y Am. C. & E. Society; Rev. L. H. Cobb, D. D., Sec'y C. C. B. S.; Rev. W. F. McMillen, Supt. C. S. S. & P. Society; Rev. Wm. Kincaid, D. D., Sec'y A. H. M. S.

After a solo by Miss Winnie Thomas, Teacher of

Vocal Music in Ridgeville College, the benediction was spoken by Rev. Dr. Cobb, and the Association stood adjourned. JOHN H. CRUM, *Moderator.*
J. MONROE LYON, *Scribe.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

N. A. HYDE, Treasurer, in account with the General Association of Congregational Churches and Ministers of Indiana.

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	April Programmes		5 00	
				$161 81

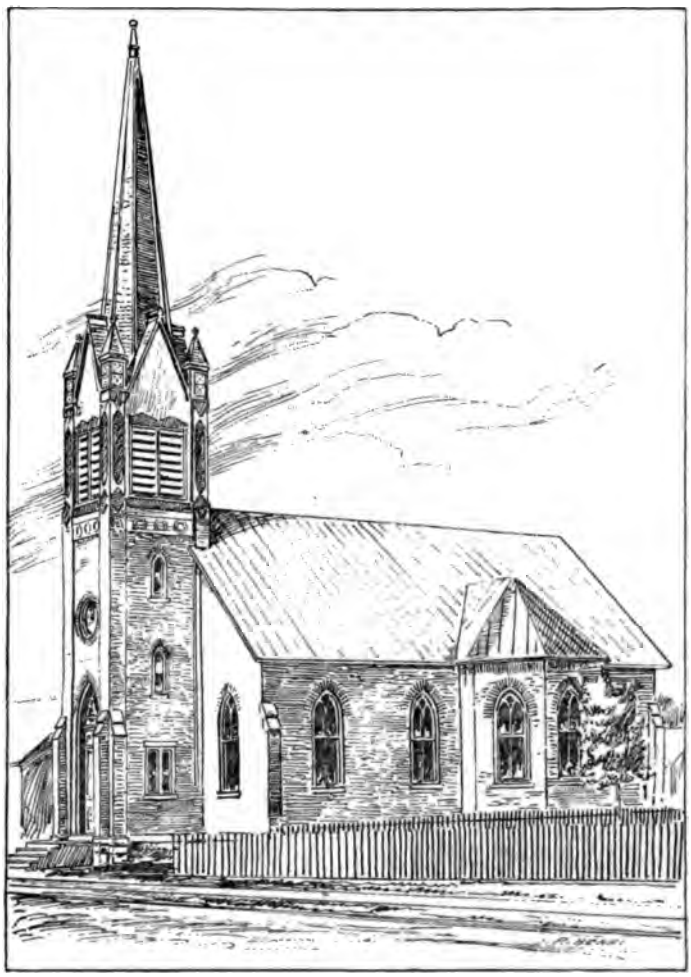
(Deficit, $41.97; as corrected, $42.78.)

THE NATIONAL TRIENNIAL CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL

MEETS AT MINNEAPOLIS, OCTOBER 12–18, 1892.

The roll of Indiana delegates is as follows:

General Association—Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D.
Central Association—Rev. John H. Crum, D. D., and Rev. Edward D. Curtis.
Northeastern Association—Rev. James S. Ainslie.
Northwestern Association—Rev. Dwight P. Breed, D. D.



FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, FAIRMOUNT, INDIANA.
REV. SAMUEL WORCESTER POLLARD, PASTOR.
(Dedicated December 16, 1889.)

APPENDIX A.

HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF INDIANA.

ADVISORY TO THE WORK OF THE

AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

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ADVISORY DEPARTMENT

Rev. Edward D. Curtis, Superintendent A. H. M. S.

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Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., President.
Rev. John H. Crum, D. D.
Prof. Wm. A. Bell.
Rev. Frank E. Knopf.
Rev. E. D. Curtis, Secretary and Treasurer.
Rev. James Stuart Ainslie.
Mr. W. F. Brunner.

ASSOCIATIONAL COMMITTEES.

Northeast Association.

Rev. Henry O. Spelman.
Milton T. Rose, Esq.
W. V. Douglas.

Northwest Association.

Rev. Dwight P. Breed, D. D.
Darwin T. Brown, M. D.
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Ithamar Russell.

Ohio Valley Association.

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Mr. David A. Youstler.

OPERATING DEPARTMENT.

Rev. Edward D. Curtis, Missionary Superintendent.

MISSIONARY PASTORS.

James Stuart Ainslie.
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W. A. Burroughs.
Frank N. Dexter.
Charles A. Gleason.
John Harden.
David A. Holman.
Hiram E. Moon.
Jared R. Preston.
D. Lee Sanborn.
Richard Smith.
Edwin S. Smith.
Jasper Trueblood.
Levi White.
David A. Andrews.
Edward L. Brooks.
J. A. Cole.
Howard H. Gilchrist.
Wm. C. Gordon.
James Hayes.
J. Monroe Lyon.
Samuel W. Pollard.
Thos. R. Quayle.
Josiah H. Simons.
Thomas Smith.
David Q. Travis.
James B. Watson.
Hans Zumstein.

TWELFTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The twelfth annual meeting of the Home Missionary Society of Indiana was held in the Congregational Church, Kokomo, Friday, May 13, 1892.

The Society was called to order at 3 P. M. by Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde, D. D., who led in prayer. Rev. J. Monroe Lyon was chosen Scribe.

The report of the State Executive Committee for the year ending March 31, 1892, was read by Rev. E. D. Curtis, Secretary. The report was adopted.

On motion of Rev. F. N. Dexter, the Sunday-schools of the State were requested to contribute to the treasury an amount equal to ten cents per member this year, and Rev. John Harden was appointed to correspond with them and assist in securing a collection from each school.

On motion, a committee consisting of Rev. Frank N. Dexter, Rev. Sam. W. Pollard, Rev. J. S. Ainslie, Prof. W. C. Kruse and W. F. Brunner, Esq., was appointed by the Chair to arrange for a series of Home Missionary conventions during the year.

A resolution was passed unanimously that the churches contribute this year an amount equal to $1 per enrolled member to the American Home Missionary Society.

Dr. W. R. Elder, Rev. James Hayes and Rev. Chas. A. Gleason were appointed a committee to nominate officers for the ensuing year.

The committee reported as follows:

For President—Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D.

For Secretary and Treasurer—Rev. E. D. Curtis.

For members of the Executive Committee—Rev. John H. Crum, D. D., Prof. Wm. A. Bell, Rev. James Stuart Ainslie, Rev. Frank E. Knopf and W. F. Brunner, Esq.

The interests of the field were presented by Supt. E. D. Curtis, who asked for $2,500 from the churches as needful to carry on an aggressive missionary work.

Short speeches were delivered by Rev. T. R. Quayle, Rev. F. N. Dexter, Dr. Kincaid and Dr. Levi H. Cobb, of New York.

The Society then adjourned.

REV. N. A. HYDE, D. D., *President.*
REV. J. MONROE LYON, *Scribe.*

APPENDIX B.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

By E. D. Curtis, Sup't.

Be strong and of a good courage; for thou must go with this people unto the land which the Lord hath sworn unto their fathers to give them; and thou shalt cause them to inherit it.—Deut. 31:7.

Be strong and of good courage; and do it; fear not, nor be dismayed; for the Lord God, even my God, will be with thee; He will not fail thee nor forsake thee, until thou hast finished all the work.—1 Chron. 28:20.

With grief-stricken hearts, yet with abiding confidence in the wisdom and affection of Him who gives life and measures its earthly span, the Executive Committee are called to open this report with a record of the decease of their highly esteemed coworker, Rev. Oscar C. McCulloch, who died at his Indianapolis residence December 10, 1891; aged 48 years, 5 months and 8 days.

Oscar Carlton McCulloch was born in Fremont, Ohio, July 2, 1843. He received a common school education and entered the drug trade, in which his father, an educated physician, was engaged at Chicago. After years of successful business experience, he was impelled to the ministry, and entered Chicago Theological Seminary, graduating in 1870. He then accepted a call from the Congregational Church, Sheboygan, Wis., where he ministered for seven years. In 1877 he came to Indianapolis as pastor of Plymouth Church, commencing July 29, and served until his death. Elected for the first time in May, 1878, as a member of the Executive Committee, for more than thirteen years our Brother continuously served. It is pleasant to mention our appreciation of the rare qualities of mind and heart which fitted him for exceptional usefulness in the councils of the Home Missionary Society of Indiana, and made his earnest, constant and helpful service an unfailing source of inspiration and strength.

A suitable memorial, prepared by Prof. Wm. A. Bell, will bring before this session the life work of our former beloved associate. Suffice it to say that his faith and courage never failed, his integrity and prudence commanded our implicit confidence, and his genial spirit won our Christian affections. His departure from us in the prime of a noble manhood is a serious loss to our churches, compensated by trust that it has brought to him unmeasurable gain.

Although the lives of all the active missionaries were spared, we chronicle the removal, by death, of Rev. Caleb Green, who died at his home near Oakland City, January 18, 1892. Mr. Green was one of the veterans of the old Southern Evangelical Association of Indiana and Illinois. A Kentuckian by birth, he served in the Union army during the war, and afterwards became a preacher of the United Brethren Church. In 1880 he was ordained a Congregational minister. He organized the Hosmer Church and served faithfully at various posts of duty. His last work was with the church at Tennyson. Failing health compelled him to retire to his farm, where he passed his closing days.

The news of the death of Deacon Orlando Wilder, at his home in Orland, November 9, 1891, sent a shock through a multitude of hearts. He was well known and beloved. He was a strong pillar in the Congregational Church at Orland, and a benevolent man. Born in New York he came with congenial associates in the early day into Steuben county. In the times of trial which the Orland Church, through the plan of union, was called upon to pass, Mr. Wilder was the firm and able advocate of the Congregational way. Latterly it has been his habit to create a life member of the A. H. M. S. each year by the payment of $50.

When the Lake Gage Congregational Church was organized near his home Mr. Wilder took the most active interest, and gave with great liberality towards the construction of its pleasant house of worship.

In his last will and testament he remembered the A. H. M. S. by bequeathing $2,000 to its treasury. A like amount was given to the American Board and $4,000 to the Congregational Church at Orland, whose temporal and spiritual interests were so near to his heart.

Mr. James Ross, a member and life-long supporter of the Society, and one of two brothers long known and loved in the membership of the First Congregational Church of Terre Haute, passed away April 28, 1891, aged 88 years.

Mr. Ross united with the church upon profession of his faith in 1842. Dr. M. A. Jewett was then pastor. Henry Ward Beecher assisted in a series of meetings, and over one hundred united with the church. Mr. Ross was of a kind and gentle disposition, always interested and loyal to the church and ready to contribute of his means and time. His place in church was never vacant when he was able to be present.

MEETINGS.

Two fully attended regular meetings of the committee were held during the year, at the residence of the President of the Society in Indianapolis. Much care and labor was also given through the medium of correspondence to the oversight of the churches. Members of the committee have paid particular attention to the fields adjacent to them, and frequent and useful consultations have been had regarding the needs and possibilities of the work.

THE APPORTIONMENT.

At the first session each year it is now the custom of the committee to prepare a schedule which designates the various fields of Christian labor and gives the amount of aid probably needed to enable the church or churches to maintain regular services and prosecute the work of evangelization in their vicinity during the year.

A careful estimate is also made of the probable resources of the Society, which are secured, *first*, by an apportionment from the parent Society at New York, which is a fixed sum, and, *second*, by the additional gifts and contributions of our churches and the friends of Home Missions in Indiana. Loyalty to the cause incites the committee to urgent pleas in behalf of this latter source of receipts, that an ever enlarging stream of benevolence may flow into the treasury and lessen the proportionate demands upon the general treasury at New York.

Eight thousand eight hundred dollars was apportioned at New York by the American Home Missionary Society, to which was to be added whatever amount was raised in Indiana. The committee is pleased to report that their estimate of $1,700 was fully met during the year by the churches and individuals who gave of their substance for this worthy cause. The amount as recorded in the Home Missionary was $1,816.59. Deducting from the last year's total, which was $1,896.58, the amount received and credited through the special gift of land by Mrs. Mary H. Ross, of Terre Haute, the regular contributions indicate the marked advance of $872.98 over last year, and the largest amount ever raised by contributions. At the same time, the total expenditures were reduced from $11,188.85 in 1890–91, to $10,500 in the last year.

The unwonted stringency caused by the great demands made upon the National Society, which prevented it from answering to the full call of the committee, by meeting the estimates made at the beginning of the year, has enlisted the sympathy and aid of our churches to an unusual extent, and we gratefully acknowledge the

helpful coöperation of the pastors and missionaries in this good work.

CHURCHES AIDED.

Apportioning as best it could the limited amount placed subject to its recommendation, the committee approved applications and recommended aid to the various fields as given below:

Church.	*Aid.*	*Time.*
Amboy	$302 00	9½ months
Anderson	713 00	10 "
Andrews	145 80	5 "
Angola and Fremont	200 00	8 "
Beachwood Central, Mauckport and Cedarwood	100 00	12 "
Bremen	200 00	12 "
Brightwood	475 00	12 "
Coal Bluff, Cordonia, Perth	375 00	12 "
Dunkirk	45 00	1½ "
East Chicago	500 00	12 "
Fairmount	580 00	12 "
Fort Wayne	640 00	12 "
Hageman	250 00	10 "
Hammond, First Church	158 33	5 "
" Plymouth	284 65	8 "
Hobart and Ross	195 83	12 "
Hosmer and Cannelburgh	220 83	11 "
Indianapolis, Pilgrim	383 33	12 "
" Peoples	508 33	12 "
" Fellowship	425 00	12 "
Jamestown	102 08	7 "
Lake Gage	62 50	7½ "
Lake Station	200 00	6 "
Liber and Portland	252 50	10½ "
Macksville and South Vigo	125 00	6 "
Marion	500 00	10 "
Ontario and two Ontario Stations	200 00	12 "
Terre Haute, 2d Church	500 00	10 "
Washington	383 44	12 "
Westchester and Pennville	190 00	12 "
Whiting	208 33	5½ "
Students and Evangelists	140 40	4 "
Total grants	$9,544 68	301½ months
Total years labor		25⅛ years.

Thirty-four missionaries have labored in the gospel with these forty-two churches. During the year services were begun at Ridgeville and a Sunday-school and congregation gathered.

Various unorganized congregations and out stations, including the Presbyterian churches of Salem, Steuben county, and New Providence, the flourishing York Inn Suburb of Marion, Knox township, Jay county; Caseyville, New Amsterdam, Shipshewana and others have been ministered to regularly or occasionally by our missionaries.

Solsberry, Hebron and Tennyson have maintained their respective organizations with Sunday-schools, and occasional services. Peru, long dormant, has sent a contribution to Home Missions and extended financial assistance to the Amboy Church.

The Emanuel German Church, Michigan City, is prospering and is under the oversight of the German Department of the A. H. M. S.

NEW ORGANIZATIONS.

Churches were organized as follows:

Churches.	*Dates.*	*Members.*
Lake Station, Ind.	June 14	11
Porter Church, Hageman, Ind.	July 7	10
Dunkirk, Ind.	Sept. 8	9
Hope Cong. Church, Anderson, Ind.	Nov. 22	18
Cannelburg, Ind.	Oct. 18	11
Second Church, Terre Haute	Dec. 20	17

Total churches, 6; total members, 76.

Ridgeville has since been organized (April 12) with 22 members.

THE BUILDING OF CHURCHES.

The previous year had been one of great activity in church building, there being no less than ten churches erected. Naturally we might have looked for a cessation of this particular branch of work. The past year has not witnessed any unusual activity, as many of the churches have been engaged in liquidating claims against the new houses of worship or in meeting pledges heretofore made in payment of the property. But on the other hand probably no one year has witnessed such an increase of property. Substantial progress has been made and gifts have continued to be generous even to self-sacrifice in the housing and equipment of our new churches.

We again call attention to the successful administration of the American Congregational Union, now the Congregational Church Building Society at New York, and its faithful and valued assist-

ance to our struggling churches in their efforts to build. Without its timely aid it would be impossible for many of our young and feeble churches to acquire permanent homes, and they would soon die.

The following churches have completed houses of worship:

Church.	*Date of Dedication.*	*Value.*
Indianapolis Fellowship Church (temporary building)	Aug. 2, 1891	$2,750
Michigan City (Eman. German)	(From 1st Church).	1,200
Porter Church, Hageman, Ind.	March 21, 1892	1,250
Washington, Ind.	Feb. 28, 1892.	3,000
Cannelburg, Ind.		1,000
Total churches, 5; Total value		$9,200

The new Amboy church which the previous year had erected, at considerable cost and self-sacrifice, a commodious church and parsonage, dedicating the house of worship December 21, 1890, met with a serious calamity by the destruction of both buildings by fire on Sunday January 31, 1892. Unfortunately the insurance was small. Though severely tried by this visitation of Providence, with unweakened faith and undiminished courage, the church took measures at once to replace the burned church building with one of superior architecture and convenience.

MORE PARSONAGES NEEDED.

No parsonages have been erected. The Porter Church at Hageman, by purchase, has procured comfortable apartments joined to the church, for its pastor, and a stable and carriage house, with a large garden. Would that every home missionary church would do as much for its pastor. A parsonage is a great vital blessing to a weak church. It tends to permanence in the pastorate. It saves rent, and brings a church nearer to self-support. We advise in the strongest possible terms that missionary churches provide homes for their pastors wherever it is possible. Why can not the coming year witness a revival of parsonage building? Loans without interest can be secured through the Building Society at New York.

IMMEDIATE GROWTH.

The Second Church, Terre Haute, Portland, and others now houseless, are preparing to build the coming season. At Fort Wayne not only has Plymouth Church the larger project on hand of the erection of its central and more expensive edifice, but it has also purchased the "Church of God" building in the populous

southwestern quarter of the growing city at a cost of $2,750, and established there a vigorous branch church. It is one of the finest residence sections of the city and has the support of the best citizens.

People's Church, Indianapolis, organized two years ago, the nucleus being a Y. P. S. C. E. of the Fifth Presbyterian Church, has had a year of remarkable growth and prosperity. The mother church disbanded and turned over its large, costly and centrally located house of worship to the daughter, upon the basis of the assumption by People's Church of the outstanding indebtedness. The Congregational Church Building Society generously aided, and with the assistance of contributions from the Congregationalists of the city and the avails of their tabernacle property, they now find themselves in possession of a beautiful church home, practically unencumbered, costing some $23,000, and with a greately increased membership, and thorough organization, seem prepared for a work of evangelization and upbuilding in the future.

Anderson.—The change of the location of Congregational work in Anderson from a new suburb to the heart of the city, and the organization of Hope Church in Olympic Hall, is worthy of consideration. In view of the difficulty of effecting a permanent foundation in a needy but minor section of a city where our denomination has heretofore been comparatively unknown, and where the strategic locations are occupied by other communions, it has seemed wise to attempt, in the growing city of Anderson, a central work. It has been assumed that such an enterprise, while not immediately appealing to the local spirit of a new section, and while not as economical in the beginning, in the way of a lot and building, and while demanding also the larger appropriation necessary to command the services of a pastor fitted for the very best work, will in the end be more certain of successful growth, and will from its vantage ground attract the Christian workers in sympathy with Congregational principles from all parts of the city. And that such a church, so located and gathered, will be more truly representative of our ideas; more readily permeated with our traditions and spirit, and be of a social status that will bring it into readier fellowship with our more mature churches in cities of about the same population. It was found at Anderson that it was possible to gather a small nucleus of people of character and standing ready to undertake the onerous duties pertaining to the bringing of a Congregational Church into life and activity amid the competing forces on the ground. Rev. W. C. Gordon, of the last class at Yale

and a young minister whose natural and acquired fitness for the best work, was acknowledged by his instructors and by Plymouth Church, Indianapolis, which he served during the summer of 1891, was called to the difficult task. No one, who has not had personal experience, can calculate the heavy sums demanded to successfully prosecute the beginning of such an enterprise; no one can understand the burdens and obstacles in the way of acquiring a foothold. In this case Mr. Gordon and his devoted band are entitled to the cordial coöperation of every pastor and church in Indiana; they have before them the steps of gaining the confidence of the community; of meeting their quota on salary; of paying heavy rents; and the greater burden of purchasing a suitable lot, at the greatly advanced prices for real estate, and erecting a suitable house of worship for temporary needs. Of the need of the work of such a church in Anderson there is no question, nor of the abundance of room for its growth and expansion.

RIDGEVILLE COLLEGE.

The unique event in the Home Missionary progress of the year has been the refounding of Ridgeville College by our missionary pastors and churches. Two preliminary conventions were held at Ridgeville by representatives of our churches on October 13, 1891, and November 3, 1891. A thorough examination of the property and endowments of the College was made; and the various reasons for a transfer of the entire interest from the old corporation connected with the Free-Will Baptist Church to the Congregational body of Indiana were prayerfully considered. A careful canvas

was also made of the prospective usefulness and growth of the institution. The churches were fortunate in having present at these preliminary meetings Rev. T. Y. Gardner, of Elyria, Ohio, and Rev. John A. Hamilton, D. D., of Boston, Mass., respectively the Western and the General Corresponding Secretaries of the American College and Education Society, who, with Rev. Prof. D. M. Fisk, of Toledo, Ohio, ex-President of the College, Rev. John L. Collier, of Huntington, W. Va., and other friends of education, greatly assisted the pastors and delegates by illumining the whole situation with the light of their wise counsels.

At a third and final convention held in Ridgeville, January 20, 1892, a board of trustees was duly elected and formally received the title, deeds and endowments of the College, thus placing it under Congregational control. The assets consisting of the campus of five acres, a well planned and thoroughly built college edifice 80 x 110 feet and three stories above the basement, library and philosophical apparatus and furniture, village lots and notes and mortgages amount to about $37,000, and come into our hands weighted with the responsibility of the management and maintenance of the school.

Congregationalism to its foreordained work must be true to its ideal in Indiana as in Massachusetts. The great underlying principle which in the puritan upheaval seized and resolved the working elements of Congregationalism and which has been its governing force throughout its history is "*The supremacy of conscience in the moral life of man.*"

Seeing this our fathers demanded, with all the strength of their manhood, that there should be liberty of conscience. And they realized the responsibility which accompanies the liberty. Therefore they strove not only for culture of the heart in church life, but also for culture of the intellect in school life. Granting to each individual his divine prerogative to step out from under churchly authority into Congregational liberty, they rightly apprehended the importance of his being intellectually equipped for his enlarged sphere of moral action. By the side of the ancient New England meeting house there stood the grammar school. The common school free system was created, coming as a new living force out of the thought of the times. The Pilgrims landed on Plymouth Rock December 21, 1620, and the Puritan emigration to Massachusetts Bay began late in 1629. Snows and forests and wild savages greeted those mother churches in stern welcome. There was much to suffer and much to accomplish. Yet in 1636, only sixteen years after the first Pilgrim foot pressed the rock at

Plymouth, Harvard College was founded by the pious, loving, zealous friends of liberal education.

No Congregational Church, or Congregational Association of Churches, is hereafter complete until a college is borne upon the heart and sustained by the hands of the church or churches. And likewise until a college is returning intellectual power to the church, heart life and giving wisdom to its hands. They are such twins as God hath joined together. In Congregational history they are coeval with each other. The church, if founded first, is speedily followed by the college. The germ of the first college in America was folded in the commission given to the churches—"Go Preach the Gospel."

The missions of the American Board find it in accordance with true progress in India, Turkey and Japan, to set up and sustain institutions of learning. These are expected to furnish the future teachers and missionaries.

Every true church needs to have its piety brought to the ripest fruit. That is undoubtedly—to furnish consecrated men and women for a Christian college, who may become ministers and missionaries.

The real success of a college depends upon the faith and moral heroism which lays its foundations. These qualities, if found at all, are found in the churches. Hence, we call a college "the Christian college."

When Dr. Strong was chosen to the presidency of Carleton there was a grand enthusiasm which gave the college its living start. He met the supreme test of the hour by saying: "This college *will not be a success till some one is ready to die for it.*"

Ridgeville College is meant to become a missionary instrumentality, and it is expected that its success, if achieved, will come from the missionary impulse.

Christian work can, in the best sense, be only done by material prepared under Christian influences.

Churches without their school are an anomaly.

The gospel in the hands of Congregational Churches, coming west from the land of the Puritans has imparted a divine impulse towards higher education.

Dr. Theron Baldwin, in speaking of the five institutions in the West which the College Society had at first assisted, said: "Their origin in every case is traceable to the increased interest in the great West which gave birth to the A. H. M. S. These colleges were all projected by religious men, most of whom were home missionaries."

Later, Dr. Baldwin says: "The colleges the society aid are formed almost exclusively by home missionaries. They are the natural offspring of the great home missionary movement in the West."

A convention of these same workers in Wisconsin said: "We believe that the work of home missions runs naturally and necessarily into the planting and sustaining of those institutions which aim at a higher Christian education."

FACTS PASTORAL.

The following are the names of the brethren ordained to the gospel ministry during the year:

Name.	*Date.*	*Place.*
Hiram E. Moon	April 7, 1891	Pennville.
David A. Holman	April 15, 1891	Whiting.
Thomas Smith	April 20, 1891	Glezen.
Samuel A. Mounts	Sept. 22, 1891	Glezen.
Willard H. Brooks	March 21, 1892	Porter.

Rev. John W. Wilson, a graduate of Carleton College and Chicago Theological Seminary, was ordained pastor of Mayflower Church, Indianapolis.

Ministers connected with the Home Missionary Society have closed their pastorates and left the state, as follows: Rev. Daniel M. Brown, Fellowship Church, Indianapolis, has gone to the Central Congregational Church, Dayton, Ohio; Rev. H. A. Holcomb, Hammond, has changed to Cambridge, Ill.; Rev. A. A. Luce, of Jamestown Church, has taken a pastorate in Michigan; Rev. John R. Mason, formerly at Liber and Portland, is now minister at Wayland, Mich., and Rev. S. A. Mounts has left the Harrison County Churches for Mound City, Ill. Total, 5.

Rev. Francis C. Woodward, of Andrews, has taken orders in the Protestant Episcopal Church.

Of the licentiates, William A. Bockoven, Portland, is now supplying at Hudsonville, Mich., and R. W. Clark, of Washington, is at Oberlin Seminary.

The following ministers have assumed pastorates during the year in Indiana:

In Self-Supporting Churches.

Rev. John W. Wilson, Chicago Theological Seminary, to Mayflower Church, Indianapolis.

Rev. Henry O. Spelman, Geneva, Wis., to Angola.

In Aided Churches.

Rev. Willard H. Brooks, Kinderhook, Mich., to Porter.

Walter A. Burroughs, Hillsdale, Mich., to Andrews.

Rev. William C. Gordon, Yale Divinity School, New Haven, Conn., to Anderson.

Rev. James M. Lyon, Merrill, Mich., to Whiting.

Rev. Thomas R. Quayle, Clifton, Ill., to Marion.

Total additions to ministerial force, 7; net gain, 2.

THEOLOGUES.

Only four students were employed, as follows:

James McLaughlin, of Yale, at Anderson; Wm. A. Bockoven, of Moody's Institute, and F. S. Powell, of Oberlin, labored short terms; and R. W. Clark was given a student's commission at Washington for the summer.

REVIVALS.

Special meetings were held in nine of our churches, with considerable success. Rev. Levi White and Prof. I. N. McHose, the singing evangelist, labored during part of the winter with churches. Many pastors exchanged and assisted each other. The number of additions is large. The Mills Meeting, at Terre Haute, greatly revived the churches of that city and section of the state. The question of the employment of an evangelist to be commissioned by the society to labor continuously with the churches is an important one. Each missionary commissioned by the society is in his own church and locality an evangelist, but the committee are confident that there is a wide field for the labors of a man of God who is fitted and called to this especial service. He should give his whole time to assisting pastors and holding evangelistic services. Just as soon as the committee can see through the financial problem far enough to warrant a beginning, and the suitable man can be found, it is expected that this need will be met.

THE COAL MINE MISSION.

The work of the Coal Mine Missionary, Rev. James Hayes, has been a fruitful source of blessing to the miners. The children are gathered in large numbers, and training in temperance and gospel work is carried on with success. The "Reading Room" at Coal Bluff has been made a fact. By erecting an addition to the church, supplying it with chairs, tables, stoves, lamps and book-racks, a comfortable place for the miners has been secured, where they can spend their evenings. The room has been kept liberally supplied with magazines and papers. Several donations of books have been

received. The Woman's Home Missionary Union, under the lead of Mrs. H. S. Caswell, has aided the devoted pastor in this work, and there is no debt.

NEW CITY ENTERPRISES.

There is a marked trend toward city work in our state. Eleven of the thirty-three commissions are held by missionaries engaged in developing churches in cities of from 8,000 to 130,000 population. A large proportion of the remaining apportionment is being used in important and growing centers of lesser note. A denomination which possesses a high ideal of evangelization must carefully locate its centers of power and radiation. Bigotry and prejudice are less marked and obstructive in cities than in the country, and the population of all the cities is rapidly increasing, particularly in the gas territory.

Grateful to God for evidences of divine favor in the past, we look forward to still greater victories for Christ and his cause in the future, and for the increasing prevalence and power of our Congregational Churches in Indiana.

Respectfully submitted,

NATHANIEL A. HYDE,
JOHN H. CRUM,
LYMAN P. ALDEN,
WM. A. BELL,
DWIGHT P. BREED,
EDWARD D. CURTIS,
Committee.

KOKOMO, IND., May 13, 1892.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. This society shall be called the "Home Missionary Society of Indiana."

ART. II. The object of this organization shall be to promote the interests of the Congregational Churches of the State, especially by securing their more efficient co-operation in home missionary work.

ART. III. Any minister or delegate holding connection with the State Association shall be considered a member of this society.

ART. IV. The officers of this society shall be a President, Secretary and Treasurer. The President shall be elected by ballot for the term of two years; the Secretary of the society and the Treasurer shall be elected annually, *viva voce*.

PRESIDENT.

ART. V. The President shall preside at all the meetings of the society; shall act as President of the Executive Committee, hereinafter provided for, and perform other duties incident to that office.

SECRETARY.

ART. VI. The Secretary shall keep a record of all the proceedings of the society and Executive Committees, of all the applications of churches for aid, of the name and date of commission, of all the missionaries of the State and the amount granted each, and of the contributions of the churches to the A. H. M. S., as reported to him from time to time.

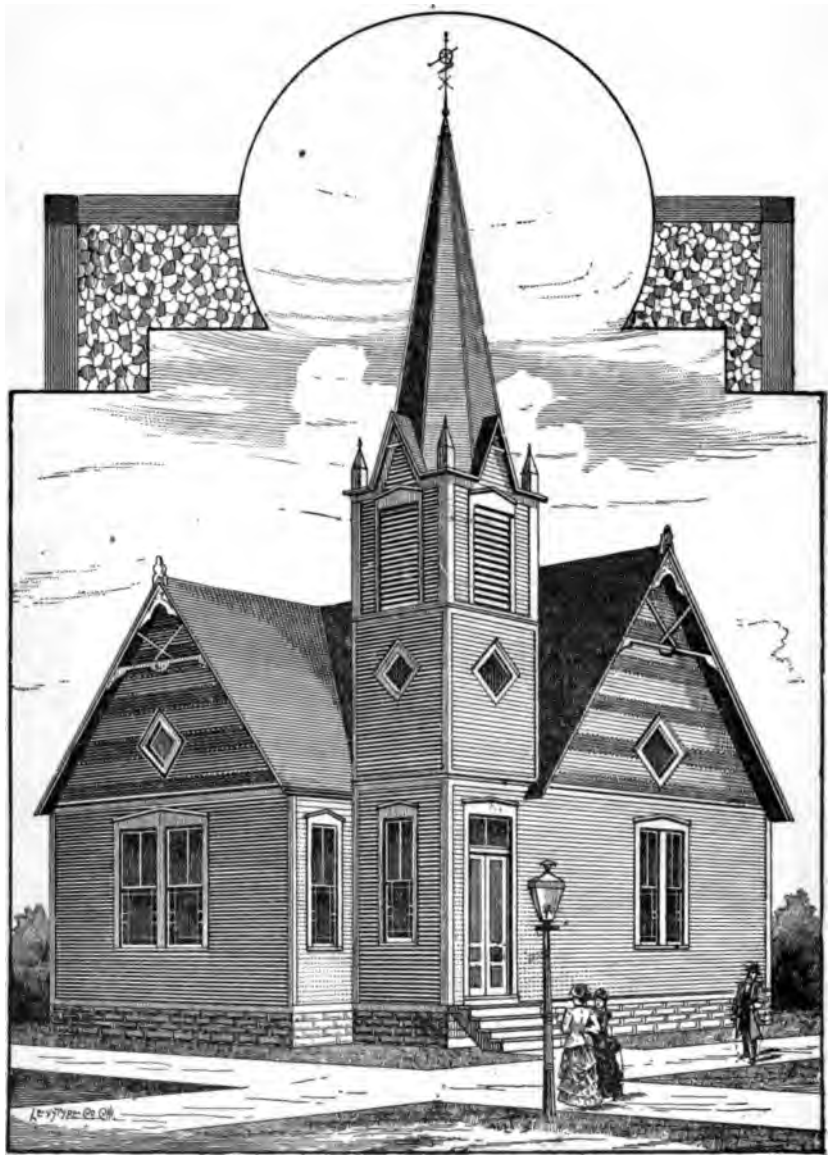
TREASURER.

ART. VII. The Treasurer shall receive and disburse all the funds of the society, under the direction of the Executive Committee, and make a report of the same to the society at their annual meetings.

ART. VIII. The society shall elect annually not more than five from their number, who, with the President, Secretary and Treasurer, shall constitute an Executive Committee, to whom all applications for aid to churches shall be submitted for their approval. This committee shall have supervision of all the missionary work in the State; it shall look especially after the interests

of pastorless churches, furnishing them temporary supplies, and helping them to a permanent ministry whenever practicable. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to meet at least once a quarter to consult in regard to the work of the State Missionary, to act upon applications for aid, and to transact such other business as the best interests of missions in the State require. They shall, also, by their Secretary, report to the society, at its annual meetings, all their proceedings for approval.

ART. IX. This constitution may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of the society by a two-thirds vote of all the members present.



CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, WASHINGTON, INDIANA.
REV. DAVID A. HOLMAN, PASTOR.
(Dedicated February 28, 1892.)

OUR GIFTS TO HOME MISSIONS.

TABLE OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING APRIL 1, 1892.

NORTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION.

NAME.	Resident Members.	Contributions.	Average per Member.
Andrews	31	$7 72	$0 25
Angola	54	85 58	1 58
Fort Wayne, Plymouth	142	133 00	94
Fremont	30	8 04	27
Jamestown	23	11 78	51
Lake Gage	27	18 45	68
Ontario	18	25 00	1 40
Orland	83	148 23	1 79
Totals and average	408	$437 80	$1 07

NORTHWESTERN ASSOCIATION.

NAME.	Resident Members.	Contributions.	Average per Member.
Bremen	38	$17 50	$0 46
East Chicago	23	12 40	54
Elkhart	102	100 50	99
Hammond	35	.....	.....
Hammond, Plymouth	30	.....	.....
Hebron	35	10 65	30
Hobart and Ross	85	10 00	12
Michigan City, First	148	155 26	1 05
Michigan City (Emanuel German)	38	4 50	12
Porter	14	6 18	44
Whiting	18	5 00	28
Totals and average	56	$321 99	$0 57

OHIO VALLEY ASSOCIATION.

NAME.	Resident Members.	Contributions.	Average per Member.
Beachwood	19	$5 75	$0 30
Cannelburg	12	.....	.....
Cedarwood	15	1 50	10
Central	37	3 00	08
Hosmer	16	6 00	38
Washington	18	.....	.....
Totals and average	117	$16 25	$0 14

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

NAME.	Resident Members.	Contributions.	Average per Member.
Amboy	44	$18 08	$0 41
Anderson	18	13 00	72
Brightwood	40	16 75	42
Cardonia	29	.....	.....
Coal Bluff	30	.....	.....
Fairmount	23	6 65	29
Indianapolis, Plymouth	348	99 50	29
Indianapolis, Mayflower	143	96 50	67
Indianapolis, Peoples'	113	20 65	18
Indianapolis, Pilgrim	18	5 54	31
Indianapolis, Fellowship	21	5 00	24
Kokomo	155	.....	.....
Liber and Portland	69	33 49	49
Maxville	50	17 53	36
Marion	23	15 00	65
Perth	11	.....	.....
Peru	24	5 00	21
Solsberry	40	7 00	18
Terre Haute, First	327	334 73	1 02
Terre Haute, Second	12	10 00	83
Vigo, South	35	3 96	11
Westchester and Pennville	29	7 77	27
Fort Recovery, Ohio	43	4 85	11
Totals and average	1645	$721 00	$0 44

SPECIAL AND INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS.

Mrs. Orlando Wilder Orland	$50 00
Mrs. C. S. Andrews, Brazil	5 00
"H. K. A.," Brazil	5 00
Mrs. Mary H. Ross, Terre Haute	2 00
Levi White and wife, Westfield	2 00
E. N. Morey, Lowell	5 00
"A Friend"	50
Mrs. Levin Wilson, Southern Association	5 00
Northeast Association Collection	30 70
Lake Station Collection	3 00
"A Thank Offering," Angola	210 00
C. E. Vanzant, Hammond	1 00
New Amsterdam Collection	35
Total	$319 55

Total Members, 2,736.
Total Receipts, $1,814.59.
Average for State, 70c. per member.

CONTRIBUTIONS BY MONTHS.

April, 1891	$269 89	November, 1891	$301 25
May, "	60 50	December, "	331 38
June, "	9 90	January, 1892	166 50
July, "	102 27	February, "	220 47
August, "	5 25	March, "	148 38
Sept., "	20 85		
Oct., "	177 95	Total	$1,814 59

LIFE MEMBERS.

The American Home Missionary Society issues certificates of Life Membership. By a contribution of fifty dollars ($50) a person can make himself, or one whom he may designate, a life member of the Home Missionary Society. Churches have the same privilege, and can designate by vote the person to receive the certificate. A Life Member is entitled to the monthly magazine, *The Home Missionary*, and all publications of the society free of cost, and is an enrolled and voting participant when present at the annual anniversaries of the society.

The following named persons have been, during this fiscal year, duly constituted Life Members of the American Home Missionary Society in Indiana:

Rev. John W. Wilson, by Mayflower Congregational Church, Indianapolis.

Mrs. W. H. Manning, by First Congregational Church W. H. M. U., Terre Haute.

Mr. Myron A. Hunt, by First Congregational Church of Terre Haute.

Miss T. Whitney, by Mrs. Orlando Wilder.

Rev. Jared R. Preston, by Ontario Congregational Church and Northeastern Congregational Association.

THE PAYMENT OF FIFTY DOLLARS
TO THE TREASURY OF THE
AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY
WILL CONSTITUTE A LIFE MEMBER.

Gifts from individuals or churches, in which a Life Member is designated, can be made either through

REV. A. H. CLAPP, D. D., TREASURER,
Bible House, New York, or
REV. E. D. CURTIS, TREAS. IND. H. M. S.,
452 N. Delaware St., Indianapolis.

FORM OF A BEQUEST.

I bequeath to my executors the sum of.....Dollars, *in trust*, to pay over the same in.....months after my decease; to the person who, when the same is payable, shall act as Treasurer of the American Home Missionary Society, formed in the City of New York, in the year eighteen hundred and twenty-six, to be applied to the charitable use and purposes of said Society, and under its direction.

APPENDIX C.

REPORT OF CONGREGATIONAL SUNDAY-SCHOOLS OF INDIANA, 1891-2.

BY REV. J. S. AINSLIE, OF FT. WAYNE, IND.

Last year, for the first time, a report of the Congregational Sunday-schools of Indiana was, by vote of the annual meeting, printed in the minutes of the General Association. The report was made by Rev. W. F. McMillen, Superintendent of Sunday-school work for Ohio and Indiana. "The object of the State Committee on Sunday-schools," says Mr. McMillen, "is to gather such facts, as they may, concerning the number and condition of the schools connected with the churches, also, mission schools, and report the same to the State Association, with such recommendations as they may deem proper."

Wisely (or otherwise) your humble servant was appointed such committee for the ensuing year. (I think most of you will conclude "otherwise," when you have listened to the imperfect report for the past year.)

A uniform blank for Sunday-school statistics was sent to every Congregational school in our state during the last week of 1891, with the request that each be filled out and returned promptly. Upwards of 50 were sent out, but only 26 were returned.

My summary is based upon the 26 schools reporting. These schools have 122 officers, 248 teachers, 2,679 scholars, with a total enrollment of 3,046; average attendance, 2,056.

Thirteen schools elect their superintendent, and one, all its officers. Three churches pay a part of their Sunday-school expenses; but the large majority take care of themselves. Forty-five per cent. of the children attend church services. Twenty-four of these 26 schools observed children's day, as against 24 last year out of the whole 50. One hundred and seventeen from these 26 schools united with the churches, as against 135 the previous year from the 50 churches.

Three schools have some normal instruction of teachers; 7 maintain a teachers' meeting; 13 make some use of the outline Bible lessons in the Pilgrim Quarterlies; 17 have oral and 6 have written

or oral reviews of the lesson; 24 use the Pilgrim series of lesson helps; 2 use David C. Cook's; 20 use our denominational S. S. papers, and 6 use other publications; 6 schools report 1,296 volumes in their libraries.

Twenty of these schools gave to benevolence $345.49. Of this amount, 8 gave to foreign missions, $101.01, and of this sum one school gave $94.01. The American College and Education Society, and the New West Education Commission received no offering from any school. One school, connected with the Congregational Church at Hosmer, organized one year ago, Rev. Thomas Smith, Pastor, gave $2 to the American Congregational Union; 13 gave for home missions, $110.64, which is more than double all gave the previous year; one school, the Congregational S. S. of Kokomo, gave $8.20 to the American Missionary Association; 14 of these 26 schools gave, through the Congregational Sunday-school and Publishing Society, $93.85, as against $33 last year given by 6 schools; only $19 went for miscellaneous objects. One thousand two hundred and twenty-five dollars and ten cents was raised for home expenses; total moneys raised, $1,570.60.

In the above summary, four new schools are included, namely: At Hageman, Porter county; Hosmer, Pike county; Cannelburg, Daviess county; and Fellowship School, Indianapolis; with a total enrollment of 341. Other schools have been organized, but not yet reported.

From this report it is evident that in several important particulars, the Congregational Sunday-schools of Indiana have done better work than in the previous year. In efficiency of administration, making the school an essential part of the church; in the amount given for benevolence, and in the wiser distribution of the offerings; in the largely increased numbers from the schools uniting with the churches; and in the almost universal adoption of the Pilgrim series of lesson helps. In all these particulars substantial progress has been made.

SOME SUGGESTIONS.

1. We recommend that pastors and Sunday-school officers and teachers take more pains to induce the children to attend the church services. While in the general average, 45 per cent. of the scholars now attend the church services, yet in many schools only from 10 to 30 per cent. do so. With a little attention, it is believed that from 50 to 75 cent. of every school can be drawn into the church services, with great advantage to pastor, church and scholars alike.

2. While we do not criticise the custom, almost universal, of each school paying its own current expenses, yet we recommend that each school devote one regular Sunday collection each month, or at least one in every two months, to missionary uses. In this simple way, wholly feasible as it seems to your committee, six of our seven benevolent societies would receive an offering from each school in the year.

3. We repeat the recommendation made by Mr. McMillen, last year:

"That more attention be given by the churches to Sunday-school missionary work. While the increased membership during the last year is very encouraging, I am sure there is scarcely a Sunday-school in the State which has attained the limit of its possibility in this direction. Every school has those within its reach, in the very membership of the church, and others beyond, who ought to be brought in to the study of the Scriptures, and to save their souls. Your committee would recommend, therefore, that this State body and each local Association, appoint a committee of one at least on Sunday-schools, whose duty it shall be to increase in all practical ways the efficiency of existing schools; to explore new fields and aid in the organization of new schools where it is advisable to do so; to gather statistics and submit reports at the annual meetings."

4. We recommend that Sunday-school superintendents be more prompt and careful in the matter of their statistics, in filling out and returning the blanks that are sent to them. I took pains to send a blank to every school in the State, in the last week in 1891, and I have since written again to every school not then reporting, and yet to-day I have reports from twenty-six only of our fifty or more schools. Is there any real excuse for this neglect? I am not going to scold you, but I am going to let somebody else do it for me. I will let the chairman of the Sunday-school committee of the General Association of Massachusetts stir up your pure minds by way of admonition upon this point. He says that neglect to fill out the proper reports, when the blanks are sent "denotes indolence, lack of interest, unkindness, want of sense: indolence, because there is not a pastor or superintendent but has wasted an hundred fold more time than it would take to answer all these questions; lack of interest, because it shows that a man's sympathies are no wider than his own little school; unkindness, because it is an utter neglect not to do unto the officers appointed as one would be done by; want of sense, because it fails to see that its

own neglect defeats the completeness of what others are seeking to do."

Does the coat fit any Indiana pastor or Sunday-school superintendent? "Then let him put it on and wear it, and let it pinch him till he fills out the blank for next year's report and promptly sends it in."

We are grateful to those who responded so promptly and kindly this year, and next year we expect the whole fifty schools will fall into line.

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APPENDIX D.

WOMAN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS OF THE INTERIOR.

The Indiana Branch of the Woman's Board of Missions of the Interior held its seventeenth annual meeting in the Congregational Church, Kokomo, May 10 and 11, 1892. The meeting was one of interest. The various reports from societies indicating encouraging progress in "the special work for which Christian women are responsible," "the training and evangelization of heathen women, that they in turn may train the footsteps of the coming nations in the way to the heavenly home."

The Branch was favored in having present at their meeting Mrs. E. M. Williams, of Chicago, and Mrs. E. D. Marden, of Marash, Turkey.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, Mrs. W. F. Brunner, Indianapolis.

Vice-Presidents, Mrs. N. A. Hyde, Indianapolis, and Mrs. E. M. Elder, Terre Haute.

Secretary, Miss E. B. Warren, Terre Haute.

Treasurer, Miss Sadie Gilbert, Terre Haute.

Secretary Young People's Work, Miss Mary E. Perry, Indianapolis.

Secretary Children's Work, Mrs. C. O. Howe, Longwood, Ill.

Vice-President Northeastern Association, Mrs. Jos. Butler, Lake Gage.

Vice-President Northwestern Association, Mrs. Howard Smith, Elkhart.

Vice-President Central Association, Mrs. H. C. Davis, Kokomo.

Vice-President Ohio Valley Association, Mrs. C. H. Walter, Washington.

APPENDIX E.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION.

The Woman's Home Missionary Union of Indiana held its fourth annual meeting in the Congregational Church at Kokomo, May 9, 1892. In the review of the year's work, many tokens of God's blessing were seen, and abundant reasons for going forward with hope and courage. The Secretary's and Treasurer's reports indicated a gratifying progress. The cash receipts for the year amounted to $690.60, a great advance over preceding years. Several new auxiliaries were reported. The Union has again assumed the pledge of $1,000, and if our offerings be systematic and we work and give as our Divine Savior toiled for us the sum can and will be raised; and we, and all for whom we have labored, will be blessed.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, Mrs. W. A. Bell, Indianapolis.

Vice-President, Mrs. L. J. Weinstein, Terre Haute.

Secretary, Mrs. W. E. Mossman, Fort Wayne.

Treasurer, Mrs. D. T. Brown, Michigan City.

Vice-President Northwest Association, Mrs. D. F. Coe, Elkhart.

Vice-President Northeast Association, Mrs. H. O. Spelman, Angola.

Vice-President Central Association, Mrs. Anna Whitehead, Indianapolis.

Vice-President Ohio Valley Association, Mrs. Levin Wilson, Cynthiana.

APPENDIX F.

THE ASSOCIATIONS.

CHURCHES WITH RESIDENT MEMBERS AND CLERKS; MINISTERIAL MEMBERSHIP WITH LICENTIATES.

I. NORTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION.

Rev. Jared R. Preston, Registrar.

Formed at Orland, April 22, 1890, with eight churches and 400 membership, 72 absent. Now 434 members, absent 47. Meetings second Tuesday of March and October.

CHURCHES.	Members.	CLERKS.	MINISTERS.	Ministerial Age.
Andrews	31	Dr. J. S. Derbyshire		
Angola	61	Mrs. H. Van Alstyne	Henry O. Spelman	2
Fort Wayne	119	Philip L. Potter	James S. Ainslie	9
Fremont	41	Mrs. Lizzie E. McNabb	D. Lee Sanborn	2
Jamestown	29	Miss Helen M. Gray		
Lake Gage	27	Frank Brown		
Ontario	34	Rev. J. R. Preston	Jared R. Preston	27
Orland	83	Mrs. Cora Case		

Other ministerial members, Albert A. Luce, Ellis, Mich., 2 years.
Licentiate—W. A. Burroughs, Andrews.

II. NORTHWESTERN ASSOCIATION.

Rev. Dwight P. Breed, Registrar.

Formed at Michigan City, March 31, 1890, with nine churches; members 402; absent 54. Now twelve churches and 613 members; absent 47. Meetings, annual, second Tuesday of April; semi-annual, fourth Tuesday of October.

Churches.	Members.	Clerks.	Ministers.	Ministerial Age.
Bremen	40	Mrs. A. E. Hayes	Lyman S. Keen	13
East Chicago	30	Miss Ida L. Lamb		
Elkhart	126	Darwin F. Coe	Frank E. Knopf	3
Hammond, First	35	J. P. Johnson	Richard Smith	1
Hammond, Plymouth	32	Robert P. Twiss		
Hebron	35	Charles Sherwood		
Hobart	75	Alfred Davis	Josiah H. Simons	16
Michigan City, First	158	W. R. Corbin	Dwight P. Breed, D. D.	19
Michigan City, Eman. Ger.	40	Gottleib Reustle	Hans Zumstein	2
Porter	14	John H. Busse	Willard H. Brooks	1
Whiting	18	George P. France	J. Monroe Lyon	13
Ross	10	Wm. Gallagher		

Other ministerial members—J. G. Van De Walker, Hammond, 16.
Licentiates—Reuben Breed, East Chicago; E.W. Murry, J. A. Cole, Hammond.

III. CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Rev. Frank N. Dexter, Registrar.

Formed at West Vigo, Nov. 15, 1867, with nine churches; members 490. Now 25 churches, 1,809 members. Annual meeting in autumn, time and place fixed by committee.

Churches.	Members.	Clerks.	Ministers.	Ministerial Age.
Amboy	44	Angus J. Elleman	Levi White	21
Anderson	18	Edwin R. Cheney	William C. Gordon	8
Brightwood	40	Jacob J. Traub	John Harden	13
Camden	12	J. W. Thomas	Hiram E. Moon	2
Cardonia	39	Thos. Teal		
Coal Bluff	40	James Hayes	James Hayes	13
Dunkirk	11	Mrs. G. W. Fertich		
Fort Recovery, Ohio	48	Miss Mary Durr	Edward L. Brooks	1
Indianapolis, Plymouth	413	Miss M. F. Allgire	F. E. Dewhurst	10
Indianapolis, Mayflower	170	Dr. W. F. Rawls	N. A. Hyde, D. D John W. Wilson	34 2
Indianapolis, People's	116	Miss A. M. Cooper	Frank N. Dexter	7
Indianapolis, Pilgrim	20	Mrs. Rosina Howe	David Q. Travis	3
Indianapolis, Fellowship	21	Mrs. E. M. Turner	Edwin S. Smith	6
Kokomo	161	J. W. Pertz, Jr		
Liber	64	W. F. Antram	James B. Watson	4
Macksville	66	David H. All	H. H. Gilchrist	
Marion	23	J. F. Carmichael	Thos. R. Quayle	
Perth	11	Charles Hayes		
Peru	17	Miss L. E. Jamieson		
Portland	24	Hiram E. Moon		
Ridgeville	34	Prof. Wm. C. Kruse	Chas. A. Gleason	14
Solsberry		Henry M. Elliott		
Terre Haute, First	376	Jos. A. Foote	John H. Crum, D. D.	30
Terre Haute, Second	12	Miss E. B. Warren	David W. Andrews	15
Vigo, South	43	Robert Smith		
Westchester	17	Miss L. Montgomery		

Other ministerial members—Wm. W. Goodman, 44; Chas. S. Warburton, 22; Myron T. Hartley, 16; M. W. Diggs, 35; David H. Snowden, 18; Edward D. Curtis, 9.
Licentiates—A. Lincoln Bosworth, Zaccheus Wills, Edward Roe.

IV. OHIO VALLEY ASSOCIATION.

Rev. David A. Holman, Registrar.

Formed at Hosmer Church, September 15, 1889; members, 51; churches, 4. Now 7 churches, 136 members. Meeting fourth Tuesday of September.

CHURCHES.	Members.	CLERKS.	MINISTERS.	Ministerial Age.
Beechwood, New Amsterdam P. O	21	D. W. Youstler		
Cannelburgh	12	John P. Seay		
Cedarwood	21	Miss L. Gilmore		
Central	41	Stephen D. Tindall	Jasper Trueblood	14
Hosmer, Glezen P. O	19	Dr. J. T. Smith	Thomas Smith	2
Tennyson	10	Dea. E. D. Gee		
Washington	22	Jas. E. Van Horne	David A. Holman	3

Other ministers - Thos. B. McCormick, 55; Levin Wilson, 33.

STATISTICS OF CHURCHES FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1891.

CHURCHES.	Organized.	CLERKS.	MINISTERS.	Ordained.	Began Present Services.	MEMBERS.				ADMITTED.			REMOVALS.				Baptisms.		Families.
						Male.	Female.	Total.	Absent.	Confession.	Letter.	Total.	Death.	Letter.	Discipline.	Total.	Adults.	Infants.	
Amboy	1890	Angus J. Elleman	Levi White	1871	1892	21	23	44	0	21	6	27	1	0	10	11	...	0	30
Anderson	1890	E. R. Cheney	William C. Gordon *p.*	1880	1891	5	13	18	0	5	13	18	0	0	0	0	3	0	30
Andrews	1883	Dr. J. S. Derbyshire	W. A. Burroughs *Lic.*	...	1892	10	21	31	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Angola	1869	Mrs. H. Van Alstyne	Henry O. Spelman *p.*	1890	1891	13	18	61	7	4	1	5	1	2	0	3	4	0	75
Beachwood *a*	1884	D. W. Youstler	Jasper Trueblood	1878	1892	10	11	21	2	0	2	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	10
Bremen	1874	Mrs. A. E. Hayes	Lyman S. Keen	1879	1892	10	30	40	2	9	2	11	0	2	0	2	2	1	35
Brightwood	1889	J. J. Traub	John Harden *p.*	1879	1890	16	24	40	0	13	17	30	0	0	0	0	2	1	25
Camden	1891	J. W. Thomas	Hiram E. Moon	1891	1892	4	8	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cannelburgh	1891	John P. Seay	D. A. Holman	1891	1891	4	8	12	0	13	0	13	0	0	1	1	9	2	15
Cardonia	1879	Thomas Teal	James Hayes *p.*	1879	1888	12	27	39	10	21	0	21	1	0	3	4	6	4	100
Cedarwood	1881	Miss L. Gilmore	Jasper Trueblood	1878	1892	10	11	21	6	0	0	0	0	0	24	24	0	0	30
Central	1881	Stephen D. Tindall	Jasper Trueblood	1878	1892	20	21	41	4	1	0	1	2	0	7	9	0	0	40
Coal Bluff	1888	Rev. James Hayes	James Hayes *p.*	1879	1888	13	27	40	10	17	0	17	0	2	13	15	4	5	100
Dunkirk	1891	Mrs. G. W. Fertich	...	...	...	4	7	11	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
East Chicago	1889	Miss Ida L. Lamb	Reuben L. Breed *Lic.*	...	...	11	19	30	7	6	6	12	0	0	0	0	1	5	35
Elkhart	1869	Damin F. Coe	Frank E. Knopf *p.*	1889	1889	35	91	126	24	8	4	12	1	6	16	23	5	0	78
Fairmount	1888	George Reasoner	Samuel W. Pollard *p.*	1885	1890	10	18	28	5	7	8	15	0	2	0	2	4	2	50
Fort Wayne	1870	Phillip L. Potter	James S. Ainslie *p.*	1882	1890	48	101	149	7	34	25	59	1	6	0	7	16	8	130
Fremont	1871	Mrs. L. E. McNabb	D. Lee Sanborn *p.*	1890	1892	13	28	41	11	1	4	5	0	2	0	2	2	0	30
Hammond, First	1887	P. Johnson	Richard Smith	1892	1892	15	20	35	0	10	2	12	0	2	0	2	0	0	35
" Ply'th	1889	Rob't P. Twiss	J. A. Cole *Lic.*	...	...	10	22	32	2	20	2	22	0	0	0	0	5	3	25
Hebron	1882	Miss Ida E. Fisher	...	...	...	9	26	35	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	8	0	0	12
Hobart	1885	Alfred Davis	Josiah H. Simons	1876	1892	30	45	75	0	0	2	2	2	0	0	2	0	0	90
Hosmer *b*	1887	Dr. J. T. Smith	Thomas Smith *p.*	1891	1891	5	14	19	3	9	2	11	0	1	0	1	5	2	30
Indianapolis, Plyth.	1857	Miss M. F. Allgire	F. E. Dewhurst	1882	1892	135	278	413	65	14	2	46	3	6	0	9	10	9	266
" Mayflower	1869	Dr. W. S. Rawls	Nathaniel A. Hyde *p. em.* John W. Wilson *p. c.*	1858 1891	1872 1891	56	114	170	27	3	7	10	6	14	8	28	1	2	70
" People's	1890	Miss A. M. Cooper	Frank N. Dexter *p.*	1885	1890	11	72	116	3	10	55	65	0	2	0	2	6	0	300
" Pilgrim	1890	Mrs. Rosina Howe	David Q. Travis	1889	1892	7	13	20	2	9	5	14	0	3	0	3	2	0	40
" Fellowship	1891	Mrs. E. M. Turner	Edwin S. Smith	1886	1892	6	15	21	0	4	20	24	0	3	0	3	0	0	50

Jamestown *c*	1872	Miss Helen Gray	D. Lee Sanborn *p*	1890	1892	11	18	29	6	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	30
Kokomo	1863	J. W. Pertz, Jr.				54	107	161	6	42	11	53	2	3	0	5	10	4	150
Lake Gage	1889	Frank Brown	D. Lee Sanborn	1890	1892	13	14	27	0	6	2	8	0	1	0	1	3	2	25
Liber *d*	1854	John J. Bockoven	James B. Watson	1888	1892	31	30	61	19	15	4	19	4	0	5	9	9	0	30
Macksville	1885	David H. Ail	Howard H. Gilchrist *p*	1885	1889	19	47	66	11	6	2	8	2	1	36	39	7	0	70
Marion	1889	J. F. Carmichael	Thomas R. Quayle *p*	1877	1891	6	17	23	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	70
Michigan City, First	1835	W. R. Corblu	Dwight P. Breed *p*	1873	1889	36	122	158	10	17	2	19	3	9	26	38	12	11	105
" Emmanuel, *Ger.*	1891	Gottlieb Reustle	Hans Zumstein *p, c*	1890	1890	16	24	40	2	10	0	10	1	0	0	1	0	1	50
Ontario	1840	Rev. J. R. Preston	Jared R. Preston *p*	1865	1889	15	19	34	16	0	0	0	0	10	4	14	0	0	40
Orland	1836	Mrs. Cora Case				27	56	83		1	1	2	3	6	0	9	1	1	50
Perth	1889	Charles Hayes	James Hayes *p*	1879	1888	6	5	11	0	5	0	5	0	2	3	5	0	1	25
Peru	1877	Miss L. E. Jamieson																	
Portland	1887	Hiram E. Moon	James B. Watson	1888	1892	7	17	24	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	5	0	0	10
Ross	1888	Wm. Gallagher	Josiah H. Simons	1876	1892	4	6	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	0	0	12
Solsberry	1868	Henry M. Elliott																	
Tennyson	1887	E. D. Gee				3	7	10											
Terre Haute	1834	Jos. A. Foote	John H. Crum *p*	1862	1889	103	273	376	49	59	20	79	8	6	0	14	35	1	250
" Second		Miss E. B. Warren	David W. Andrews *p*	1877	1892	1	8	12											
Vigo, South *e*	1854	Robert Smith	Howard H. Gilchrist *p*	1885	1889	18	25	43	8	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	24
Washington	1860	Jas. E. VanHorn	David A. Holman *p, c*	1891	1891	7	15	22	4	22	3	25	0	0	3	3	5	0	75
West Chester	1861	Miss L. Montgomery	Hiram E. Moon	1891	1892	6	11	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
Whiting	1890	Geo. P. France	J. Monroe Lyon *p*	1879	1891	6	12	18	0	1	4	5	0	0	0	0	2	0	75
OTHER STATES.																			
Fort Recovery, O	1853	Mrs. Mary Durr	Edward L. Brooks	1892	1892	18	30	48	5	5	0	5	6	0	0	0	4	....	15
Total, 51.			Totals	....	....	992	2003	2995	333	458	234	692	49	106	165	814	175	65	2797

a. New Amsterdam P. O.
b. Glezen P. O.
c. Crooked Creek P. O.
d. Portland P. O.
e. Macksville P. O.

Changes from last year's list of churches: *Added*—Camden; Cannelburgh; Dunkirk; Indianapolis, Fellowship; Michigan City, Emmanuel; Ridgeville, Rev. C. A. Gleason, Pastor, organized since January, 1892. *Omitted*—Mauckport, Oakland City.

STATISTICS OF CHURCHES FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1891.

CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOLS. SUPERINTENDENTS.	Members.	Average Attendance.	Ad. to Ch.	Benevolent Contributi's.	Y. P. S. C. E.	BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS. Foreign Missions.	Education.	Church Building.	Home Missions.	Am. Mis. As.	Sunday Schools.	New West.	Ministerial Aid.	Other.	Total.	Legacies.	Home Expenditures.
Amboy	Joseph Elleman	76	40	0	$ 0	0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$22	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$22	$ 0	$90
Anderson	E. R. Cheney	60	50	4	8	0	2	...	...	20	...	3	0	0	0	25	0	.....
Andrews	Mrs. Thos. Newham	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	...	...	...	...	...	12	0	.....
Angola	Mrs. H. Van Alstyne	89	56	2	20	71	20	0	35	60	0	0	0	20	0	135	0	1010
Beachwood	D. W. Youstler	40	20	0	0	0	0	0	9	7	0	0	0	0	0	16	0	50
Bremen	Mrs. J. J. Wright	104	71	0	11	50	5	0	1	16	0	4	0	0	0	26	0	540
Brightwood	Rev. J. Harden	100	65	0	20	40	0	0	9	13	0	14	0	0	0	36	0	554
Camden	J. W. Thomas	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
Cannelburgh	Mrs. J. P. Seay	76	45	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	152
Cardonia	Thomas Teal	250	140	2	2	0	3	0	1	7	0	1	0	0	0	12	0	125
Cedarwood	Aaron Hockman	50	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	10
Central	S. D. Tindall	75	58	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	32
Coal Bluff	Jos. E. Hickman	140	60	3	3	24	3	0	52	10	0	0	0	0	0	65	0	475
Dunkirk	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
East Chicago	Miss Ida L. Lamb	75	56	6	2	21	6	0	5	14	0	2	0	0	0	21	0	941
Elkhart	Aug. P. Kent	150	95	1	10	70	67	0	9	110	30	4	8	0	0	228	0	1652
Fairmount	Levi Scott	100	75	4	0	15	9	2	2	22	0	2	3	0	2	42	0	450
Fort Wayne	H. R. Culbertson	206	130	19	12	50	45	0	10	138	0	17	0	0	0	210	0	4130
Fremont	Mrs. L. Farnham	90	41	1	5	0	3	6	0	7	0	2	0	0	0	18	0	180
Hammond, First	E. W. Murry	110	50	10	6	35	14	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	25	0	300
" Plymouth	Robert P. Twiss	30	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	300
Hebron	Chas. B. Sherwood	50	35	0	1	0	15	0	14	0	0	1	0	0	0	30	0	700
Hobart	Emil Stetlow	100	85	0	0	30	10	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	13	0	300
Hosmer	Rev. Thos. Smith	115	73	7	0	25	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	120
Indianapolis, Plymouth	Alex. Johnson	195	133	14	18	75	41	0	0	78	0	0	0	0	18	137	0	6387
" Mayflower	Frank W. Olin	154	107	1	39	82	238	10	345	170	0	15	0	0	0	778	0	1586
" People	Rev. F. N. Dexter	200	145	3	5	50	5	0	0	19	0	2	0	0	12	38	0	840
" Pilgrim	R. E. Ellis	128	70	0	0	21	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	2	8	0	687
" Fellowship	C. B. Howland	140	98	0	1	13	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	1200
Jamestown	L. P. Persing	75	50	0	2	35	0	0	4	7	0	20	0	0	2	33	0	180

LICENTIATES.

NAME.	POST-OFFICE.	LOCAL ASSOCIATION.
Bosworth, A. Lincoln	Portland	Central.
Burroughs, W. A.	Andrews	Northeastern.
Breed, Reuben L.	East Chicago	Northwestern.
Murry, E. W.	Hammond	Northwestern.
Roe, Edward	Coal Bluff	Central.
Wells, Zaccheus	Clay City	Central.
J. A. Cole	Hammond	Northwestern.

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OFFICERS OF ASSOCIATION, 1893.

MODERATOR.

REV. JOHN W. WILSON.....Indianapolis.

SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

REV. NATHANIEL A. HYDE, D. D.....Indianapolis.

SCRIBE.

REV. EDWIN S. SMITH.....Indianapolis.

ASSISTANT SCRIBE.

REV. DAVID W. ANDREWS.....Terre Haute.

REGISTRARS OF ASSOCIATIONS.

Northeast Association.....Rev. Jared Preston, Ontario.
Northwest Association.....Rev. Lyman S. Keen, Bremen.
Central Association.....Rev. John W. Wilson, Indianapolis.
Ohio Valley Association.....

PLACE OF NEXT MEETING.

The next Annual Meeting of the Association will be held at Fort Wayne, Commencing Tuesday, May 8, 1894, at 7:30 P. M.

ASSOCIATIONAL PREACHER.

REV. F. E. DEWHURST, Indianapolis.

ALTERNATE PREACHER.

REV. W. C. GORDON, Anderson.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

On Ridgeville College—Rev. F. E. Dewhurst, Mrs. W. E. Mossman, Rev. W. C. Gordon.

On Finance—W. F. Brunner, Rev. F. E. Knopf, Rev. D. L. Sanborn.

On Business and Program for Next Meeting—Rev. J. S. Ainslie, Rev. J. H. Crum, D. D., Rev. F. E. Dewhurst, Rev. S. W. Pollard, Rev. W. A. Thomas.

On Ministerial Aid—Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., Miss E. B. Warren, Rev. F. E. Knopf.

On the Work of the Church Building Society—Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D.

On the Work of the Sunday-school Society—Rev. James S. Ainslie.

On the Work of the Educational Society—Rev. J. H. Crum, D. D.

On the Work of the American Missionary Association—Rev. Frank E. Knopf.

HISTORICAL SUMMARY.

YR.	PLACE.	MODERATOR.	PREACHER.
1858	Indianapolis	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.	
1859	Indianapolis	Prof. Wm. Twining	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.
1860	Terre Haute	Rev. Jacob Chapman	Prof. Wm. Twining.
1861	Indianapolis	Rev. Lyman Abbott	Rev. Jacob Chapman.
1862	Francisco	S. H. Potter	Rev. Lyman Abbott.
1863	Terre Haute	Rev. Dean Andrews	Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde.
1864	Indianapolis	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.
1865	Kokomo	Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde	Rev. Joseph Jones.
1866	Terre Haute	Rev. Joseph H. Jones	Rev. Dean Andrews.
1867	Indianapolis	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.	Rev. E. Frank Howe.
1868	Fort Branch	Rev. E. Frank Howe	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.
1869	Indianapolis	Rev. T. B. McCormick	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.
1870	Kokomo	Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde	Rev. T. B. McCormick.
1871	Terre Haute	Rev. L. R. Royce	Rev. D. J. Baldwin.
1872	Fort Wayne	Rev. Joseph L. Bennett	Rev. J. L. Bennett.
1873	Elkhart	Rev. J. B. Fairbank	Rev. E. Frank Howe.
1874	Indianapolis	Rev. E. Frank Howe	Rev. A. S. Wood.
1875	Kokomo	Rev. O. S. Dean	Rev. O. S. Dean.
1876	Michigan City	Rev. A. S. Wood	Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde.
1877	Fort Wayne	Rev. Evarts Kent	Rev. Evarts Kent.
1878	Peru	Rev. J. M. Seymour	Rev. S. S. Martyn.
1879	Terre Haute	D. S. Alexander	Rev. Oscar C. McCulloch.
1880	Elkhart	Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde	Rev. Thomas R. Bacon.
1881	Kokomo	Rev. Oscar C. McCulloch	Rev. M. W. Darling.
1882	Michigan City	Rev. Robert McCune	Rev. Robert McCune.
1883	Indianapolis	Rev. M. W. Darling	Rev. Edward H. Smith.
1884	Terre Haute	Rev. Robert McCune	Rev. J. M. Seymour.
1885	Fort Wayne	Rev. Edward H. Smith	Rev. Leonard Corning.
1886	Elkhart	Rev. Nath'l A. Hyde, D. D.	Rev. Nath'l A. Hyde, D. D.
1887	Kokomo	Rev. G. B. Safford, D. D.	Rev. E. C. Barnard.
1888	Michigan City	Rev. A. K. Wray	Rev. M. Angelo Dougherty.
1889	Indianapolis	Rev. Charles H. Rogers	Rev. Elnion C. Evans.
1890	Terre Haute	Rev. Dwight P. Breed	Rev. Dwight P. Breed.
1891	Elkhart	Rev. James S. Ainslie	Rev. John H. Crum, D. D.
1892	Kokomo	Rev. John H. Crum, D. D.	Rev. James Stuart Ainslie.
1893	Ridgeville	Rev. John W. Wilson	Rev. Frank E. Knopf.

Secretary and Treasurer, Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., 1858-1893.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. *Name.*—This body shall be called THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES AND MINISTERS OF INDIANA.

ARTICLE II. *Object.*—This Association shall not exercise any ecclesiastical authority or control over the ministers and churches belonging to it, but its object shall be to promote the harmony, fellowship and efficiency of the churches and their co-operation in Christian work.

ARTICLE III. *Membership.*—Any church connected with a District Association of Congregational churches in the State is entitled to representation in the General Association by its pastor, provided he is a member of said District Association in regular standing, also by one delegate chosen for that purpose. If any church has a resident membership exceeding one hundred it shall be entitled to one delegate for each one hundred members or any fraction thereof. Any ordained minister who is a member of a local Association of the State in regular standing may become a member of the General Association. Churches and ministers in uniting with this Association thereby give assent to its rules and doctrinal basis.

ARTICLE IV. *Officers.*—The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator and Scribe, elected annually by ballot, an Assistant Scribe, chosen *viva voce* at each meeting; also a Secretary and Treasurer, each to hold his office for three years or until his successor is elected; the two offices last named may be united in one person.

ARTICLE V. *Doctrinal Basis.*—This Association receives as articles of faith the doctrines of Christianity as they are set forth in the Statement of Doctrines prepared by the Creed Commission of the National Council and published in 1883.

ARTICLE VI. *Meeting.*—The annual meeting of this Association shall be held on the second Tuesday of May, at 7:30 P. M., and it shall continue in session till the close of the services of the following Thursday evening.

ARTICLE VII. *Quorum.*—A number of members equal to one-fifth of the number of churches entitled to representation shall be a quorum for the transaction of business. A smaller number may organize the meeting.

ARTICLE VIII. *Amendments.*—This Constitution may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of the Association by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS.

1. The annual meeting shall be opened on Tuesday evening with a sermon, the retiring Moderator presiding.

2. The preacher and his alternate shall be chosen by ballot at the previous annual meeting.

3. The retiring Moderator of the last meeting, or, in his absence, the Secretary, shall call the Association to order on the following morning and shall preside till the body is organized.

4. Upon assuming his duties the newly elected Moderator shall lead the Association in prayer. Each session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

5. At each annual meeting a Business and Programme Committee of five shall be appointed for the ensuing year, one of whom shall be the pastor of the church with which the Association shall vote next to meet. This committee shall arrange for the discussion of topics as they may deem expedient; they shall provide for a hearing of the representatives of the National Societies, and they shall prepare and print a programme, and also have charge of the business docket of the meeting. This committee shall have power, when necessary, to arrange for the place of the annual meeting and a preacher.

6. A Finance Committee of three shall be appointed, who shall audit the Treasurer's account and shall estimate the probable expenses of the Association for the ensuing year, and shall assess upon each local Association its share of the amount and secure its collection during the year.

7. These and any other committees that may be needed shall be appointed by the Moderator or by a nominating committee, as the Association may determine.

DOCTRINAL BASIS.

[The following statement of doctrine prepared by the Commission appointed by the National Council and published in 1883 was adopted by the General Association of Indiana as its doctrinal basis May 11, 1893.]

I. We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who is of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made;

And in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who is sent from the Father and Son, and who together with the Father and Son is worshiped and glorified.

II. We believe that the providence of God, by which He executes his eternal purposes in the government of the world, is in and over all events; yet so that the freedom and responsibility of man are not impaired, and sin is the act of the creature alone.

III. We believe that man was made in the image of God that he might know, love, and obey God, and enjoy him forever; that our first parents by disobedience fell under the righteous condemnation of God; and that all men are so alienated from God that there is no salvation from the guilt and power of sin except through God's redeeming grace.

IV. We believe that God would have all men return to him; that to this end he has made himself known, not only through the works of nature, the course of his providence, and the consciences of men, but also through supernatural revelations made especially to a chosen people, and above all, when the fulness of time was come, through Jesus Christ his Son.

V. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the record of God's revelation of Himself in the work of redemption; that they were written by men under the special guidance of the Holy Spirit; that they are able to make wise unto salvation; and that they constitute the authoritative standard by which religious teaching and human conduct are to be regulated and judged.

VI. We believe that the love of God to sinful men has found its highest expression in the redemptive work of his Son, who became man, uniting his divine nature with our human nature in one person; who was tempted like other men, yet without sin; who by his humiliation; his holy obedience, his sufferings, his death on the cross, and his resurrection, became a perfect Redeemer; whose sacrifice of Himself for the sins of the world declares the righteousness of God, and is the sole and sufficient ground of forgiveness and of reconciliation with Him.

VII. We believe that Jesus Christ, after he had risen from the dead, ascended unto into heaven, where, as the one mediator between God and man, he carries forward his work of saving men; that he sends the Holy Spirit to convict them of sin, and to lead them to repentance and faith; and that those who through renewing grace turn to righteousness, and trust in Jesus Christ as their Redeemer, receive for his sake the forgiveness of their sins, and are made the children of God.

VIII. We believe that those who are thus regenerated and justified, grow in sanctified character through fellowship with Christ, the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, and obedience to the truth; that a holy life is the fruit and evidence of saving faith; and that the believer's hope of continuance in such a life is in the preserving grace of God.

IX. We believe that Jesus Christ came to establish among men the kingdom of God, the reign of truth and love, righteousness and peace; that to Jesus Christ, the head of this kingdom, Christians are directly responsible in faith and conduct; and that to him all have immediate access without mediatorial or priestly intervention.

X. We believe that the Church of Christ, invisible and spiritual, comprises all true believers, whose duty it is to associate themselves in churches for the maintenance of worship, for the promotion of spiritual growth and fellowship, and for the conversion of men; that these churches, under the guidance of the Holy Scriptures and in fellowship with one another, may determine—each for itself—their organization, statements of belief, and forms of worship, may appoint and set apart their own ministers, and should co-operate in the work which Christ has committed to them for the furtherance of the gospel throughout the world.

XI. We believe in the observance of the Lord's Day, as a day of holy rest and worship; in the ministry of the word; and in the two sacraments, which Christ has appointed for his church: Baptism, to be administered to believers and their children, as the sign of cleansing from sin, of union to Christ, and of the impartation of the Holy Spirit; and the Lord's Supper, as a symbol of his atoning death, a seal of its efficacy, and a means whereby he confirms and strengthens the spiritual union and communion of believers with himself.

XII. We believe in the ultimate prevalence of the kingdom of Christ over all the earth; in the glorious appearing of the great God and our Savior Jesus Christ; in the resurrection of the dead; and in a final judgment, the issues of which are everlasting punishment and everlasting life.

MINUTES.

The thirty-fifth annual meeting of the General Association of Congregational Churches and Ministers of Indiana convened with the Congregational Church of Ridgeville in the chapel of Ridgeville College, Wednesday, May 10, 1893, at 7:30 P. M.

The opening sermon was preached by Rev. Frank E. Knopf, of Elkhart, from Isaiah 52:1—"Awake, awake; put on thy strength, O Zion; put on thy beautiful garments, O Jerusalem, the holy city."

After the sermon an address of welcome to the members of the Association was made by Dr. Fredericks on behalf of the church and people of Ridgeville; the Moderator, Rev. Dr. Crum, responded.

THURSDAY MORNING, May 11.

At 9 o'clock A. M. the Association was called to order by the retiring Moderator, Rev. John H. Crum, D. D. Rev. E. D. Curtis, D. D., served as temporary Scribe.

The roll of ministers and delegates present was made up and when completed was as follows:

ROLL OF MEMBERS.

Churches.	*Ministers.*	*Delegates.*
Amboy		Andrew Haines.
		Angus J. Elleman.
Anderson	W. C. Gordon	Albert Russell.
		Mrs. Albert Russell.
		Mrs. E. R. Cheney.
Andrews	W. T. Belfrey	Dea. David Linn.
Angola	H. O. Spellman	Mrs. E. Waugh.
		Mrs. J. D. Timmerman.

Brightwood	John Harden	Mrs. S. Bowman.
Coal Bluff, Cordovia.	James Hayes	
Dunkirk		
		Tella E. Fertich.
Elkhart	F. E. Knopf	John Ellis.
Fairmount	S. W. Pollard	
Fort Wayne	J. S. Ainslie	Mrs. W. E. Mossman.
		Miss May Kimball.
		Miss Jessie McAllister.
		Mrs. C. M. Jones.
Fremont	D. S. Sanborn	
Hammond, First	Richard Smith	
Plym'th	J. A. Cole	
Hosmer	Thomas Smith	
Indianapolis.		
Plymouth	F. E. Dewhurst	Prof. W. A. Bell.
		Mrs. W. A. Bell.
Mayflower	J. W. Wilson	W. F. Brunner.
		Mrs. W. F. Brunner.
		T. P. Sanborn.
		Mrs. T. P. Sanborn.
Peoples'	J. M. Lewis	W. H. Burton.
		Miss Clara Palmer.
		Miss Effie Herdman.
Pilgrim	D. Q. Travis	Mrs. Lizzie Califf.
		Mrs. Minnie Coleman.
Fellowship	E. S. Smith	
Jamestown	D. L. Sanborn	
Kokomo		Dea. Joseph Cain.
		Mrs. Trautman.
		Miss May Rutledge.
Lake Gage		Mrs. Joseph Butler.
Liber	J. B. Watson	A. L. Bosworth.
		Mrs. B. L. Weber.
		John A. Bockoven.
Macksville		Mrs. Belle Gilchrist.
Marion	Levi White	Abner Steele.
		Mrs. A. Steele.
		Mrs. L. White.
Perth	Jas. Hayes	

Portland	J. B. Watson	S. W. Gierhart.
		Mrs. S. W. Gierhart.
		Rev. H. E. Moon.
		Mrs. H. E. Moon.
Ridgeville		Benjamin Boswell.
		Mrs. Joseph Lay.
		Miss Edna I. Allyn.
Terre Haute, 1st	J. H. Crum	S. W. Noyes.
		Mrs. S. W. Noyes.
		Miss E. B. Warren.
2d	D. W. Andrews	
Whiting	L. A. Townsend	
Fort Recovery, O	E. L. Brooks	Rev. M. W. Diggs.
		Daniel Cassiday.
		Mrs. G. W. Krinning.

MINISTERIAL MEMBERS.

Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde, D. D. ... Indianapolis.
Rev. Edward D. Curtis, D. D., Supt. A. H. M. S ... Indianapolis.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

Rev. Wm. Kincaid, D. D., Sec. A. H. M. S., New York.
Rev. John A. Hamilton, D. D., Sec. A. C. E. Society, Boston.
Prof. R. A. Jemberg, B. D., Chicago Theo. Seminary.
Rev. N. H. Whittlesey, Sec. Ministerial Relief Fund, New Haven.
Rev. C. H. Taintor, Church Building Society, Chicago.
Rev. George H. Bird, Chicago.
Rev. W. E. C. Wright, Am. Missionary Association, Cleveland.
Dr. W. A. Duncan, S. S. and Publishing Society, Boston.
Rev. C. H. Jackson, F. W. Baptist Church, Ridgeville.
Rev. James L. Barton, Harpoot, Turkey.

ORGANIZATION.

The organization was effected by the election of Rev. John W. Wilson, Moderator, and Rev. Edwin S. Smith, Scribe.

Prayer was offered by the Moderator.

The Moderator appointed as Business Committee for this meeting Revs. J. H. Crum, H. O. Spelman and J. S. Ainslie.

At 10:30 o'clock, the Association engaged in devotional services, led by Rev. E. S. Smith.

Dr. N. A. Hyde presented the report of the Committee on Revision of the Constitution, By-Laws and Creed, which was adopted. See revised forms of constitution and by-laws on pages 4 and 5.

The statement of doctrine prepared by the Creed Commission of the National Council and published in 1883 was accepted as a substitute for the former Creed of the Association.

Rev. F. E. Dewhurst, of Plymouth Church, Indianapolis, read a paper on "Christ's Interpretation of Human Brotherhood."

After prayer by Rev. F. E. Knopf, Association took a recess till 2 o'clock P. M.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

The Association convened at 2 P. M.

After prayer by Prof. R. J. Jernberg, Association devoted an hour to addresses by representatives of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions.

W. B. M. I.

Addresses were made by Mrs. W. F. Brunner, President of the Indiana Branch W. B. M. I. and by Dr. Pauline Root, of Madura, India. See Appendix C.

Rev. D. W. Andrews, of Terre Haute, was elected Assistant Scribe.

On recommendation of the Business Committee the Moderator appointed following committees.

On Resolutions—Prof. W. A. Bell, Rev. D. W. Andrews, Miss Eliza B. Warren.

On Ridgeville College—Rev. F. E. Dewhurst, Mrs. W. E. Mossman, Rev. W. C. Gordon.

On Finance—W. F. Brunner, Rev. F. E. Knopf, Rev. D. L. Sanborn.

On Business and Programme for Next Meeting—Rev. J. S. Ainslie, Rev. J. H. Crum, D. D., Rev. F. E. Dewhurst, Rev. S. W. Pollard, Rev. W. A. Thomas.

RIDGEVILLE COLLEGE.

Prof. W. A. Bell, of Indianapolis, presented the report of Committee on Ridgeville College, setting before the Association the claims of the college, its work and its encouraging outlook.

Rev. John A. Hamilton, D. D., of Boston, followed with an address on the work of the College and Education Society, making a special plea also in behalf of the college located at Ridgeville.

Association then gave an hour to addresses by representatives of the Woman's Home Missionary Union.

W. H. M. U.

The Association listened to an address by Mrs. W. A. Bell, President of the Union, a report by Mrs. W. E. Mossman, the Secretary, and an address by Miss E. D. Emerson, of New York, on the work of the American Missionary Association. See Appendix D.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

Rev. W. H. Whittlesey, D. D., of New Haven, Conn., made a stirring appeal for the relief of aged and needy ministers retired from service. It is proposed that a large national fund shall be raised, the interest of which shall be devoted to this worthy object. At the close of Dr. Whittlesey's address the following resolutions, offered by Dr. N. A. Hyde, were adopted:

In view of the inadequate provision hitherto made for aged and disabled Congregational ministers and the widows and orphan children of ministers;

Resolved, That this Association appoint annually a standing committee of three on Ministerial Relief whose duties shall be

(1) To co-operate with the laudable efforts of the National Council's committee to secure one generous contribution from each church to the National Council's Permanent Ministerial Relief Fund.

(2) To investigate any applications for aid from the National Fund which may be found necessary for the relief of claimants in Indiana.

Association after benediction by Dr. Whittlesey took a recess till 7:30 P. M.

THURSDAY EVENING.

The evening session was opened with an anthem by the choir and prayer by Dr. John A. Hamilton.

Dr. Wm. Kincaid then delivered an address on the work of the American Home Missionary Society.

After a piano solo by Mrs. Vance, of Ridgeville College, Rev. C. H. Taintor, of Chicago, presented the claims and work of the Church Building Society; Prof. R. J. Jernberg spoke in behalf of Chicago Theological Seminary, and Rev. N. H. Whittlesey again presented briefly the need of the Ministerial Relief Fund.

After the singing of a hymn, Rev. H. O. Spelman dismissed the congregation with the benediction.

FRIDAY MORNING.

At 9 o'clock A. M. the Association engaged in a devotional service led by Rev. James Hayes, of Coal Bluff.

Dr. N. A. Hyde presented the Treasurer's report,

with estimates of expenses for the current year. See Appendix E.

Dr. J. H. Crum, of the Business Committee, reported some necessary changes in the printed programme of exercises.

At this point Association gave place to the Indiana Home Missionary Society.

At the conclusion of the meeting of the State Missionary Society, Rev. J. Stuart Ainslie made a report on the Sunday-school work of our churches.

It was voted that the recommendations made in the report be printed in the Minutes. See Appendix B.

W. F. Brunner read the report of the Commiteee on Finance, which was as follows:

Your committee has examined the report of the Treasurer and find it to be correct as read.

Estimated expenses for the ensuing year:

Due for Year Book for 1891	$38 76	
Due for Year Book for 1892	39 96	
Due for Year Book for 1893	40 00	
		$118 72
Due for Minutes 1893, estimate		90 00
Due for Circulars		3 00
Due for Postage and Incidentals		4 00
Due for Programmes, 1894		5 00
		$220 72

Resources:

Cash on hand	$66 68	
Due from Northwestern Asso., since paid	23 04	
Balance neeeded	131 00	
		$220 72

To provide this balance the committee recommend an assessment of five cents per member, payable on or before December 31, 1893.

W. F. Brunner.
Rev. F. E. Knopf.
Rev. D. L. Sanborn.

PLACE OF NEXT MEETING AND PREACHER.

The Committee on Place of Next Meeting and Preacher reported, nominating Rev. F. E. Dewhurst, of Indianapolis, as preacher, and Rev. W. C. Gordon his alternate. The Committee recommended Fort Wayne as the place of next meeting.

The report was adopted.

The Committee on Resolutions, by Miss Eliza Warren, reported the following:

Resolved, (1) That we individually, and as an Association, are under special obligations to the good people of Ridgeville for their cordial reception and generous entertainment and that we will look back upon our visit here with unqualified pleasure.

(2) That we see in Ridgeville College a grand opportunity for affording to hundreds of young men and women the blessings of a higher and better education than they could otherwise receive and we cordially recommend it to the Congregationalists of Indiana as worthy of their support and patronage.

(3) That we appreciate the kindness of the gas company in placing a flambeau of natural gas at the entrance of the college building for the inspection and benefit of the visiting delegates.

(4) That we extend thanks to the railroads that have granted us the courtesy of reduced rates, and especially to Mr. S. S. Shambaugh, local railway agent of Ridgeville, for his kindness, courtesy and generosity.

(5) That we have listened with pleasure and edification to the Secretaries and representatives of the various departments of our church work and extend to them a cordial invitation to come again.

(6) That we recognize as the very essence of Christianity a missionary spirit and we urge upon every church within the bounds of this Association the importance of entering heartily into some phase or phases of benevolent work; a church may not be able to give much, but it can not afford *not* to give something.

Minutes up to this point were read and approved.

After prayer by Rev. E. C. Wright, Association took a recess till 2:30 P. M.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

Association convened at 2:30 o'clock, and was led in prayer by Rev. C. H. Jackson, pastor of the Baptist Church.

Dr. W. A. Duncan, of Boston, then addressed the Association on our denominational Sunday-school work.

The Moderator, finding it necessary to leave at this point, Rev. F. E. Knopf, of Elkhart, was called to the chair, and he presided during the remainder of the session.

A discussion on "The Duty of the Church to the Young People" was introduced by Rev. W. E. C. Wright, of Cleveland; the discussion was continued by S. W. Noyes, Mrs. Belle Gilchrist, Mrs. S. Bowman, Rev. F. E. Knopf, Rev. John Harden, Rev. Levi White and Rev. James Hayes.

Association then listened to an address by Rev. J. L. Barton, of Harpoot, Turkey.

On motion of Rev. Levi White, it was voted that the Association adjourn *sine die* at the close of the evening session.

Benediction by the Moderator.

FRIDAY EVENING.

Association convened at 7:30 o'clock, and after singing was led in prayer by Rev. D. L. Sanborn, of Fremont.

The resolutions presented by the Committee on Resolutions, and adopted at the afternoon session, were again read by Miss Eliza B. Warren, of Terre Haute.

Rev. W. E. C. Wright, of Cleveland, addressed the Association on the work of the American Missionary Association.

Rev. J. L. Barton then followed with an address on missionary work in Turkey.

The session closed with benediction by the Moderator *pro tem.*

JOHN W. WILSON, *Moderator.*
EDWIN S. SMITH, *Scribe.*

Attest:

NATHANIEL A. HYDE, *Secretary.*

APPENDIX A.

HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF INDIANA.

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The thirteenth annual meeting of the Home Missionary Society of Indiana was held in the chapel of Ridgeville College Friday, May 11, 1893, at 9:30 A. M.

The Society was called to order by the President, Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., who led in prayer.

Rev. E. S. Smith was chosen Scribe.

The report of the State Executive Committee was read by Rev. E. D. Curtis, D. D., Secretary of the Board. See Appendix A.

Remarks were made by Rev. Wm. Kincaid, D. D., and others.

The churches were congratulated on the progress of their work in Indiana.

Rev. F. E. Knopf offered a resolution expressing appreciation of the devotion and self-sacrifice of the Home Missionaries laboring in this State.

The resolution was unanimously voted.

Revs. Levi White, James Hayes and D. W. Andrews were appointed a committee to nominate officers for the ensuing year.

The committee reported the following list of officers:

For President—Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D.

For Secretary and Treasurer, Rev. E. D. Curtis, D. D.

For Members of the Executive Committee, Rev. J. H. Crum, D. D., Prof. Wm. A. Bell, Rev. James Stuart Ainslie, Rev. Frank E. Knopf, Wm. F. Brunner.

The officers nominated were elected.

The Society then adjourned.

REV. N. A. HYDE, D. D., *President.*

REV. E. S. SMITH, *Scribe.*

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

By Edward D. Curtis, Sup't.

The record of the missionary year that closes to-day is full of manifestations of the Divine favor and blessing upon our work. It is meet for us to gratefully acknowledge the prevenient grace of God and the active presence of the Holy Spirit among our churches.

NECROLOGY.

Rev. Thomas B. McCormick, of Princeton, passed to his heavenly rest October 2, 1892. Mr. McCormick was born in Todd county, Ky., December 23, 1811. Although nearly 81 years of age when he died, he had to the last labored occasionally among the churches. He was an old-time Abolitionist, and began his ministry in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, which he left in 1855 because of its alleged complicity with slavery. He shortly afterward united with the Congregational Church in Indiana. The same year a Kentucky grand jury found a bill against him for belonging to the underground railroad, the avowed business of which was to take slaves from slave to free territory, and for assisting slaves to escape. A requisition by the governor of Kentucky was made upon Governor Wright, of Indiana, for his arrest, and a large sum of money was offered for his body. Mr. McCormick fled to Ohio and became a traveling preacher. In 1857 he was a candidate for the governorship of Ohio on the Abolition ticket. Governor Morton gave him permission to return to Indiana in 1862. His funeral services were conducted by Rev. Levin Wilson. Mr. McCormick was by nature a reformer; he was fearless and pronounced in his denunciations of slavery, and he was unalterably opposed to secret societies; vigorous in mind and body, and combative in disposition, his zeal made him the hero of many dramatic incidents in the stirring conflicts which preceded the late war.

MEETINGS.

The Executive Committee, co-operating with the National Society, has held regular semi-annual meetings at Indianapolis, at which the interests of the work have been most seriously considered and the needs of the various fields reviewed. Different members of the committee have also visited various fields at the request of the superintendent, singly and in company with him, and frequent correspondence and consultations have been had about the work.

THE APPORTIONMENT.

Considering the circumstances, a very liberal apportionment was made by the National Society to the Indiana field. This

favored a vigorous and successful prosecution of the work. The clear and definite fiscal relation to the churches secured by the new and admirable schedule system adopted by the secretaries at New York has also directly increased the vigor of the work and tended to economy of expenditure without loss of power. This system was fully explained in the last report and need not be repeated. Nine thousand dollars was apportioned at New York, which was to be increased by the amount of the Indiana gifts, which the committee estimated at a possible $2,000. The actual contributions, however, were $1,649.14, making a total available fund of $10,649.14. The original estimate of the committee had called for an expenditure of $15,200. A serious problem has consequently confronted the committee of adjusting the claims of the separate fields to a scant schedule. The committee desire to acknowledge the helpful co-operation of pastors and the enlarged giving of many churches to meet the desired end.

RESUME.

Thirty-one missionaries have been in commission during a whole or part of the year ministering to 36 churches and stations, performing 18 years of labor. Thirty-five Sunday-schools report a membership of 3,240.

During the year the Ridgeville Church was organized (April 12), and Caseyville, the fourth church of the Coal Mine Mission, under Rev. James Hayes, has since been organized (May 2), with 16 members. Two churches have taken a position of self-support, viz.: Angola, Steuben county, Rev. H. O. Spelman, pastor, and Bremen, Marshall county, Rev. Lyman S. Keen, pastor. Macksville, Hobart, and Harrison county fields, while not definitely self-supporting received none of this year's Home Missionary funds.

BUILDING OPERATIONS.

Angola has signalized its first year of self-support by completely remodeling its edifice at an expense of $3,000. Terre Haute Second Church and Amboy have erected and are occupying comfortable meeting-houses. The First Church provided the edifice for the former with the aid of the old Plymouth fund. The South Branch building at Fort Wayne was purchased. Anderson has secured a central lot and has fitted up a temporary home. Plymouth, Fort Wayne, is building a fine edifice. Pilgrim and People's Churches at Indianapolis have been improved. Fairmount has adjusted its threatening debt. Hosmer Church has built a parsonage. The record of the year throughout the State has been one of debt-paying and extensive property improvements.

THE COLLEGE.

A lively interest in the college at Ridgeville has been developed among many of our churches and several hundred dollars contributed to its support. Several pastors have ably promoted the interests of the institution.

FACTS PASTORAL.

Richard Smith was ordained to the Gospel ministry in Pilgrim Church, West Indianapolis, June 28, 1892. Edward L. Brooks was ordained at Fort Recovery, July 13, 1892. Ministers connected with our State work have closed their pastorates as follows:

Self-Supporting Churches.—Rev. D. H. Snowden has resigned at Kokomo and gone to Sterling, Kansas; Rev. C. A. Gleason has left Ridgeville and gone to the pastorate of the Wakeman (Ohio) Church; Rev. D. P. Breed, D. D., of the First Church of Michigan City, has taken up work at Wyandotte, Mich.

Aided Churches.—Rev. J. H. Simons has resigned at East Chicago to accept the call of the Chebanse Church, Illinois; Rev. F. N. Dexter, People's Church, Indianapolis, has gone to Clinton, Wis.; Rev. W. A. Brooks, of Porter, has returned to Michigan; Rev. D. A. Holman has resigned at Washington, and retired from the ministry; Rev. J. M. Lyon has gone to Chester, Mich.; Rev. T. R. Quayle, of Marion, and Rev. Hans Zumstein, of Emmanuel Church, Michigan City, have taken work in other denominations.

Licentiates.—E. J. French, of the Second Church, Terre Haute, has removed to Vermont, and W. A. Burroughs resigned at Andrews to go to Michigan.

Total departures, 11.

The following ministers have assumed pastorates during the year:

Self-Supporting Churches.—Rev. Frederic E. Dewhurst, Plymouth Church, Indianapolis, from the Baptist Church, Burlington, Vt.; Rev. Wm. A. Thomas, Kokomo, from Milford, N. H.; Rev. John R. Bonney, Orland, from Michigan.

Aided Churches.—Rev. Levi White, Plymonth, Ill., Marion; Rev. W. T. Belfry, Bedford, Mich., Andrews; Rev. H. A. Kerns, Big Rapids, Mich., East Chicago; Rev. J. A. Cole, Chicago Theological Seminary, Hammond Plymouth Church; Rev. Ed. S. Smith, Beatrice, Neb., Fellowship, Indianapolis; Rev. James M. Lewis, M. E. Church, Dunkirk, Ind., People's Church, Indianapolis; Rev. J. B. Watson, Canada, Liber and Portland; Rev. John B. Williams, Chicago Theological Seminary, Washington, Ind.; Rev. L. A. Townsend, Chicago Theological Seminary, Whiting; Rev. Lemuel E.

Frink, Toledo, Ohio, Hobart and Hebron; Rev. Jasper Trueblood, Dakota, Harrison county fields; Rev. W. H. Dorn, Chicago Theological Seminary, Emmanuel Church (German), Michigan City.

Total additions to the ministerial force, 11. Mr. Reu. P. Breed, a student, was employed during the summer vacation.

REVIVALS.

Precious revivals have visited many of the churches and the quickening power of the Holy Spirit has been manifested in the renewing of spiritual life and the conversion of the impenitent. Pastors have aided each other in special services. Rev. Levi White has conducted protracted meetings at Amboy, Washington, Fairmount, Fremont, Jamestown and Marion with excellent results. Rev. D. W. Andrews assisted in a series of meetings at the Coal Mine Mission. Rev. Leigh Vernon, of Kansas, conducted a series of meetings at Hammond under the auspices of the Society. Nearly all the churches have had considerable additions and some of them have doubled their membership. Many of the pastors have conducted revival services with most excellent results.

The loyal aid of that indispensable ally in our work, the Woman's Home Missionary Union, grows more efficient from year to year, and is most gratefully acknowledged. They raised $787.87. The Congregational Church Building Society and the Sunday-school and Publishing Society have contributed in generous measure to their appointed work in our limits.

The missionaries and churches of our State welcome and sustain all of our great co-operative societies through which Congregationlists labor and contribute to the extension of the kingdom of the Master.

It is an occasion of thanksgiving to the Head of the church that missionaries of superior attainments and ripened consecration have listened to the call of our churches. As a result, the work was never so compact and well organized as now.

Five students of the Chicago Theological Seminary have done excellent work in the churches near that city.

Congregationalism is slowly coming up in Indiana. In five years the twenty-five active churches have become fifty. Twenty church buildings and five parsonages have been erected. Membership now 3,189 shows fifty per cent. increase. Sunday-schools have doubled to make their present membership 5,000. Benevolences of $4,500 annually declare a three-fold advance. Home Missionary offerings have increased to the present figures from $470 in 1886. One thousand ninety-eight Y. P. S. C. E. members give

promise of future fruitage. Ordained laborers five years ago 15, now number 35. The home expenditures of the Congregational churches in Indiana now reach $41,000. Half a dozen churches nestle up against Chicago. Indianapolis has become quite a center, with six churches and a live Congregational club. The East, with its college and churches and the South with its leaven of Congregationalism, voice the better time.

Indiana is in an era of development. Manufacturing industries are increasing near Chicago and in the natural gas region. There is constant need of reinforcements in organized Christian work. Our older churches are locating missions in adjacent communities. There is great need of opening up new centers of Christian work. Multitudes are without the gospel. Our churches have a great work to do in promoting doctrinal soundness, personal Godliness and practical benevolence. Respectfully submitted,

NATHANIEL A. HYDE,
JOHN H. CRUM,
WM. A. BELL,
FRANK E. KNOPF,
W. F. BRUNNER.
JAMES STUART AINSLIE,
EDWARD D. CURTIS,
Committee.

RIDGEVILLE, IND., May 12, 1893.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. This society shall be called the "Home Missionary Society of Indiana."

ART. II. The object of this organization shall be to promote the interests of the Congregational Churches of the State, especially by securing their more efficient co-operation in home missionary work.

ART. III. Any minister or delegate holding connection with the State Association shall be considered a member of this society.

ART. IV. The officers of this society shall be a President, Secretary and Treasurer. The President shall be elected by ballot for the term of two years; the Secretary of the society and the Treasurer shall be elected annually, *viva voce*. The duties of these officers (defined in Articles V, VI, VII), are such as their names indicate.

ART. VIII. The society shall elect annually not more than five from their number, who, with the President, Secretary and Treasurer, shall constitute an Executive Committee, to whom all applications for aid to churches shall be submitted for their approval. This committee shall have supervision of all the missionary work in the State; it shall look especially after the interests of pastorless churches, furnishing them temporary supplies, and helping them to a permanent ministry whenever practicable. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to meet at least once a quarter to consult in regard to the work of the State Missionary, to act upon applications for aid, and to transact such other business as the best interests of missions in the State require. They shall, also, by their Secretary, report to the society, at its annual meetings, all their proceedings for approval.

ART. IX. This Constitution may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of the society by a two-thirds vote of all the members present.

APPENDIX B.

Recommendations for the Congregational Sunday-schools of Indiana for 1893–4.

BY REV. J. S. AINSLIE, STATE COMMITTEE.

We again recommend that pastors and all Sunday-school workers make it their constant aim to induce the children to attend the church services. The general average of scholars who attend the services for worship has been raised from 45 per cent. last year to 54 per cent. this year, but many schools are much below that average. Especially we urge that more pastoral work be done among the children that they may be led into the fold of Christ.

2. We recommend that teachers' meetings be held, if not weekly, at least at intervals, for consultation and prayer and for planning more faithful work in the schools.

3. We recommend that every school in the State observe Children's Day and forward the proceeds to the Rev. W. F. McMillen, 175 Wabash avenue, Chicago, to be used in the missionary work of the Sunday-school and Publication Society.

4. We recommend, further, that each school devote one regular Sunday collection, every two months, to missionary uses; that is, give one collection to Foreign Missions, one to the A. H. M. S., one to the A. M. A., one to the Church Building Society and one to the College and Education Society.

5. We recommend that constant effort be put forth to increase the membership of our schools from among non-church-going people. Also, that attention be given to the Home department of Sunday-school work. Last year, Plymouth Church, of Fort Wayne, started a home department under the care of an efficient lady, and it increased to 30 during the year. It is a profitable field to work.

6. Finally, we urge that superintendents and pastors make it their business to see that the blanks for Sunday-school statistics that are sent to every school in the State during the last week of December, be carefully filled out and promptly returned to the Secretary.

APPENDIX C.

Woman's Board of Missions of the Interior.

The Indiana Branch of the Woman's Board of the Interior held its eighteenth annual meeting at Ridgeville, Ind., May 9 and 10, 1893, Mrs. W. F. Brunner, of Indianapolis, presiding.

At the opening meeting, Tuesday evening, Rev. Dr. Crum, of Terre Haute, led in prayer.

The address of welcome was given by Mrs. Kruse, of Ridgeville, and responded to by Mrs. Brunner.

Mrs. Tyler, of Africa, and Dr. Pauline Root, of India, made addresses.

The session Wednesday morning was opened with devotional exercises, led by the President.

Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read; also brief reports of delegates were heard.

Mrs. E. B. Warren conducted the practical hour.

Mrs. Weber, of Liber, led the afternoon devotional exercises.

Mrs. I. E. Waugh, of Angola, read a letter from Mrs. Howe on children's work.

Mrs. Tyler and Miss Root addressed a children's meeting; the latter gave an interesting account of the life and death of Miss Carrie Bell.

The attendance was large; the exercises were most inspiring, and all felt that the outlook is most encouraging.

The officers for the ensuing year are as follows:

President, Mrs. W. F. Brunner, Indianapolis.

Vice-Presidents, Mrs. N. A. Hyde, Indianapolis, and Mrs. E. M. Elder, Terre Haute.

Secretary, Miss E. B. Warren, Terre Haute.

Treasurer, Miss Sadie Gilbert, Terre Haute.

Secretary Young People's Work, Miss Mary E. Perry, Indianapolis.

Secretary Children's Work, Mrs. C. O. Howe, Longwood, Ill.

Vice-President Northeastern Association, Mrs. Frank Roby, Angola.

Vice-President Northwestern Association, Mrs. Howard Smith, Elkhart.

Vice-President Central Association, Mrs. H. C. Davis, Kokomo.

Vice-President Ohio Valley Association, Mrs. C. H. Walter, Washington.

APPENDIX D.

Woman's Home Missionary Union.

The Woman's Home Missionary Union, of Indiana, held its fifth annual meeting in the College Hall, Ridgeville, May 11, 1893, Mrs. W. A. Bell, President, in the chair.

The Secretary and Treasurer presented their reports.

The delegates reported, also, for the organizations of their respective churches.

These reports indicated that the interest in the work of Union is increasing among the churches generally. The receipts, as reported by the Treasurer, amounting to $544, do not give full credit for what has been raised in the State, because some auxiliaries have sent their contributions directly to the National Society at New York. These bring the amount up to $744. It is desired that all moneys, hereafter, shall pass through the hands of the State Treasurer.

An hour was given by the State Association on Thursday afternoon to representatives of the Union. Mrs. W. A. Bell, the President, made a brief address. Mrs. W. E. Mossman, the Secretary, presented a full statement of the year's work in the State. Mrs. E. D. Emerson, of New York, then addressed the Association on the work of the American Missionary Association among the colored people of the South and in destitute mountain districts.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, Mrs. W. A. Bell, Indianapolis.

Vice-President, Mrs. L. W. Weinstein, Terre Haute.

Secretary, Mrs. W. E. Mossman, Fort Wayne.

Treasurer, Mrs. F. E. Dewhurst, 890 North Alabama Street, Indianapolis.

Vice-President Northwest Association, Mrs. D. F. Coe, Elkhart.

Vice-President Northeast Association, Mrs. Dr. McNabb.

Vice-President Central Association, Mrs. Anna Whitehead, Indianapolis.

Vice-President Ohio Valley Association, Mrs. Spencer, Washington.

APPENDIX E.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

N. A. HYDE, Treasurer, in account with the General Association of Congregational Churches and Ministers of Indiana.

Dr.

1892.	E. B. Preston, Registrar N. E. Asso	$27 00	
1893.			
Jan.	F. N. Dexter, Registrar Cent. Asso	53 70	
Feb.	J. W. Wilson, " " "	8 75	
	" " "	2 76	
Mar.	1st Church, T. Haute, for 1893	22 89	
Apr.	Mayflower, Indpls., for 1893	10 00	
	Liber	7 00	
	Fellowship, Indpls., for 1893	3 57	
	Brightwood, for 1893	2 80	
	Terre Haute, 2d., for 1893	84	
	Amboy, for 1893	5 00	
May.	Pilgrim Ch., Indpls., for 1893	1 26	
	People's Ch., Indpls., for 1892	8 75	
	Plymouth, Indpls., for 1892	34 80	
	Ridgeville College, adv't	3 50	
	Kokomo, 1893	26 35	
	Elkhart, 1893	7 14	
June.	L. S. Keen, Registrar N. W. Asso	23 04	
			$249 15

Cr.

	Deficit, as shown in last report	42 78	
1893.	Carlon & Hollenbeck, printing 100 circulars.	$1 00	
	" " 200 "	2 75	
	" " 500 Minutes.	105 00	
	Assessment for Year Book 1891-2	78 72	
	Postage on minutes of '92	1 95	
	Postage on programmes of '93	70	
	Printing 1,200 programmes, '93	4 25	
	Balance	12 00	
			$249 15

DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

I. NORTHEAST ASSOCIATION.

Rev. Jared R. Preston, Ontario, Registrar.

Andrews,
Angola,
Fort Wayne,
Fremont,
Jamestown,
Lake Gage,
Ontario,
Orland.

II. NORTHWEST ASSOCIATION.

Rev. Lyman S. Keen, Bremen, Registrar.

Bremen,
East Chicago,
Elkhart,
Hammond, First,
Hammond, Plymouth,
Hebron,
Hobart,
Michigan City, First,
Michigan City, Emman.Ger.
Porter,
Whiting,
Ross.

III. CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Rev. John W. Wilson, Indianapolis, Registrar.

Amboy,
Anderson,
Brightwood,
Camden,
Cardonia,
Coal Bluff,
Dunkirk,
Fort Recovery, Ohio,
Indianapolis, Plymouth,
Indianapolis, Mayflower,
Indianapolis, People's,
Indianapolis, Pilgrim,
Indianapolis, Fellowship,
Kokomo,
Liber,
Macksville,
Marion,
Perth,
Portland,
Ridgeville,
Solsberry,
Terre Haute, First,
Terre Haute, Second,
Vigo, South,
Westchester.

IV. OHIO VALLEY ASSOCIATION.

————, *Registrar.*

Beechwood, New Amsterdam P. O.,
Cannelburgh,
Cedarwood,
Central,
Hosmer, Glezen P. O.,
Washington.

STATISTICS OF CHURCHES FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1892.

CHURCHES.	Organized.	CLERKS.	MINISTERS.	Ordained.	Began Present Services.	MEMBERS. Male.	Female.	Total.	Absent.	ADMITTED. Confession.	Letter.	Total.	REMOVALS. Death.	Letter.	Discipline.	Total.	Baptisms. Adults.	Infants.	Families.
Amboy	1890	Angus J. Elleman	Wm. T. Belfrey *p*..	1889	1893	18	25	43	7	1	2	3	0	0	4	4	0	0	30
Anderson	1891	Miss Eleanor Cooper	Wm. C. Gordon *p*	1889	1891	5	19	24	3	4	2	6	0	0	0	0	3	0	40
Andrews	1883	Dr. S. J. Derbyshire	Wm. T. Belfrey *p*.	1889	1893	9	25	34	6	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
Angola	1869	Ora Smith	Henry O. Spelman *p*.	1890	1891	13	54	67	8	6	6	12	2	4	0	6	1	0	80
Beachwood *a*	1884	D. W. Yonstler	Jasper Trueblood *p*.	1878	1892	10	10	20	7	0	2	2	1	2	5	8	0	0	10
Bremen	1874	N. A. Herring	Lyman S. Keen *p*.	1879	1892	12	33	45	3	14	4	18	1	3	9	13			50
Brightwood	1889	J. J. Traub	John Harden *p*.	1879	1890	18	31	49	4	16	3	19	2	5	3	10	1	3	35
Camden	1891	J. W. Thomas				4	8	12											
Cannelburgh	1891	John P. Seay				4	8	12	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	2	2	0	10
Cardonia	1879	Thomas Teal	James Hayes *p*	1879	1888	12	25	37	8	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	2	125
Cedarwood	1881	Edward Haas	Jasper Trueblood *p*.	1878	1893	12	15	27	0	6	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Central	1881	Stephen Tindall	Jasper Trueblood *p*.	1878	1892	20	21	41	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Coal Bluff	1888	James Hayes	James Hayes *p*	1879	1888	13	32	45	8	9	2	11	0	4	2	6	4	4	100
Dunkirk	1891	E. L. Cornish				4	7	11											
East Chicago	1889	Ida L. Lamb	Herbert Alfred Kerns *p*.	1886	1892	10	21	31	6	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Elkhart	1869	Miss Mary L. Hamlin	Frank Edward Knopf *p*	1889	1889	36	89	125	14	8	7	15	1	8	7	16	1	0	75
Fairmount	1888	George Reasoner	Samuel W. Pollard *p*.	1885	1890	17	42	59	9	23	4	27	0	0	0	0	9	1	75
Fort Wayne	1870	Phillip L. Potter	James Stuart Ainslie *p*.	1882	1890	56	120	176	10	15	16	31	1	6	0	7	4	6	155
Fremont	1874	Mrs. L. E. McNabb	D. Lee Sanborn *p*.	1890	1892	12	22	34	5	1	0	1	0	8	0	8	1	0	25
Hammond, First	1887	Dr. J. P. Johnson	Richard Smith *p*	1892	1892	14	17	31	1	1	7	8	0	6	5	11	1	3	60
" Plyth	1888	Mrs. Emma Ropp	John A. Cole *Lic*		1892	12	22	34	6	1	5	6	1	2	1	4	1	0	40
Hebron	1882	Mrs. Elizabeth Rice	Lemuel T. Frink *p*	1868	1893	8	26	34	5	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	13
Hobart	1885	A. T. Davis	Lemuel T. Frink *p*.	1868	1892	28	52	80	10	0	0	0	1	7	0	8	2	0	50
Hosmer *b*	1887	Dr. Thomas J. Smith	Thomas Smith *p*	1891	1891	18	82	50	0	30	1	31	2	1	2	5	11	4	35
Indianapolis, Plyth.	1857	Miss Mary F. Allgire	Frederic E. Dewhurst *p*	1892	1892	135	274	409	37	2	3	5	0	9	0	9	0	1	250
" Mayflower	1869	Dr. Wm. S. Rawls.	Nathaniel A. Hyde *p. em*.	1858	1872	63	116	179	31	10	5	15	1	4	1	6	4	2	120
			John W. Wilson *p. e*	1891	1891														
" People's	1890	Miss Annie M. Cooper	James M. Lewis *p*.		1893	45	75	120	4	4	14	18	3	11	0	14	1	9	150
" Pilgrim	1890	Mrs. Lora Pearce.	David Q. Travis *p*.	1889	1892	9	17	26	4	3	7	10	0	4	0	4	3	1	50
" Fellowship	1891	Mrs. E. M Turner	Edwin Sinclair Smith *p*	1886	1892	13	28	41	0	10	12	22	0	2	0	2	6	5	300

Jamestown *c*	1872	Miss Helen M. Gray..	D. Lee Sanborn *p*..	1890	1892	6	14	20	4	0	0	0	0	5	1	6	0	0	20
Kokomo	1863	J. W. Pertz, Jr	Wm. Arthur Thomas *p*....	1382	1892	44	80	124	....	4	3	7	0	11	33	44	1	0	110
Lake Gage	1889	Frank Brown	John B. Bonney *p*	1863	1892	13	14	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25
Liber *d*	1854	Wm. Antrum	James Watson	....	1892	15	17	32	0	4	0	4	0	14	0	14	....	....	47
Macksville	1885	David Q. All	Howard H. Gilchrist *p*	1885	1889	22	52	74	7	7	1	8	3	1	0	4	8	0	40
Marion	1889	Mrs G. A. Southall	Levi White	....	....	6	17	23	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Michigan City, First	1835	W. R. Corbin	....	....	....	30	119	149	10	0	0	0	1	8	0	9	0	0	103
" Emmanuel, *Ger*	1891	Louis Blessin	Wm. H. Dorn *Lic*	....	1892	16	20	36	0	2	0	2	2	0	5	7	0	2	50
Ontario	1840	Jared R. Preston	Jared R. Preston *p*	1865	1889	17	21	38	18	2	2	4	2	3	0	5	1	0	15
Orland	1836	Howard Parker.	John R. Bonney *p*.	1863	1892	28	66	94	26	0	4	4	1	1	1	3	0	1	50
Perth	1889	Miss M. A. Kennedy	James Hayes *p*	1879	1889	6	5	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Porter	1892	Mrs. Hannah Busse	F. E. Bigelow *Lic*	....	....	6	4	10	2	13	3	16	0	3	3	6	1	0	25
Portland	1887	Rev. H. E. Moon.	James B. Watson *Lic*	....	1892	12	24	36	....	17	0	17	0	5	6	11	8	0	50
Ridgeville	1892	Wm. B. Starr	Prof. W. C. Kruse, S. S	....	1893	18	25	43	4	18	25	43	0	0	0	0	12	0	15
Ross	1888	Mrs. K. A. Gallagher	Lemuel T. Frink *p*	1868	1893	5	7	12	4	0	0	0	1	0	6	7	0	0	34
Solsberry	1868	Henry M. Elliott	....	....	....	14	30	44	7	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	....
Terre Haute, First	1834	Joseph A. Foote	John H. Crum *p*	1862	1889	104	273	377	....	7	5	12	1	9	1	11	0	0	250
" Second	1891	Rev. D. W. Andrews	David W. Andrews *p*	1877	1892	4	8	12	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	....
Vigo, South *e*	1851	Robert Smith	....	....	....	18	25	43	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Washington	1890	Charles L. Brumblay	R. P. Breed *Lic*....	....	1893	16	30	46	8	8	16	24	0	1	2	3	2	4	150
West Chester	1861	Miss L. Montgomery	James B. Watson	1893	1892	6	12	18	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
Whiting	1890	John H. Barnett	L. A. Townsend *Lic*	....	1893	9	16	25	9	3	12	15	0	6	2	8	1	1	75
OTHER STATES.																			
Fort Recovery, O. *f*	1853	Mrs Mary Durr	Edward L. Brooks	1892	1892	23	37	60	6	8	12	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	20
Total 51.			Totals			1044	2145	3189	298	251	179	430	29	160	99	288	89	49	3045

a. New Amsterdam P. O.
b. Glezen P. O.
c. Crooked Creek P. O.
d. Portland P. O.
e. Macksville P. O.
f. Ft. Recovery not included in totals for Indiana.

STATISTICS OF CHURCHES FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1892.

CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOLS. SUPERINTENDENTS.	Members.	Average Attendance.	Ad. to Ch.	Benevolent Contributs.	Y. P. S. C. E.	BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS. Foreign Missions.	Education.	Church Building.	Home Missions.	Am. Mis. As.	Sunday Schools.	New West.	Ministerial Aid.	Other.	Total.	Legacies.	Home Expenditures.
Amboy	Enos W. Elleman	50	40	0	$ 2	0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$600
Anderson	E. R. Cheney	62	40	2	8	29	2	0	0	35	0	2	0	0	40	79	0	1826
Andrews	Mrs. Thomas Newham	30	30	0		32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	150
Angola	Ora Smith	113	56	3	10	60	91	2	5	10	0	0	0	0	7	115	0	1815
Beachwood, *a*		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27
Bremen	Rev. Lyman S. Keen	90	60	3	8	20	8	0	3	0	0	3	0	0	0	14	0	475
Brightwood	Rev. John Harden	115	78	2	23	32	4	0	4	20	0	15	0	0	0	43	0	517
Camden																		
Cannelburg	Elisha Foote	30	20	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	600
Cardonia	Thomas Teal	125	65	0	4	0	2	0	0	5	0	2	0	0	0	9	0	
Cedarwood	Luther Lohmeryer	50	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	4	0	25
Central	Stephen Tindall	30	20	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	7	0	0	0	0	10	0	150
Coal Bluff	William Hodgers	150	55	3	10	19	6	0	35	17	2	0	0	0	0	60	0	160
Dunkirk																		
East Chicago	Rev. Herbert A. Kerns	50	50	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	4	0	0	0	9	0	
Elkhart	E. C. Bickel	135	95	2	10	55	61	40	0	80	0	4	0	0	100	285	0	2000
Fairmount	Levi Scott	100	75	12	0	36	0	2	0	20	2	3	2	0	0	29	0	750
Fort Wayne	Wm. Miles	350	250	7	25	50	20	15	12	45	8	8	5	0	10	123	0	10,000
Fremont	Martin V. Garn	70	40	0	2	30	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	11	0	245
Hammond, First	E. W. Murray	96	70	0	0	22	6	0	10	6	0	0	0	0	0	22	0	162
" Plymouth	R. P. Twiss	67	30	0	10	44	4	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	10	19	0	250
Hebron	E. B. Sherwood	55	35	0	2	20	5	0	0	4	0	1	0	0	0	10	0	40
Hobart	Rodney Castle	100	58	0	44	45	15	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	100	120	0	500
Hosmer, *b*	Joseph W. Clifford	164	110	14	10	12	13	0	0	5	0	10	0	0	0	28	0	354
Indianapolis, Plymouth	Elmer E. Griffith	182	125	0	10	0	75	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	110	205	0	
" Mayflower	Frank W. Olin	152	114	10	32	55	300	10	20	462	18	9	7	0	32	858	0	1893
" People's	David McConnaughey	125	100	0	33	40	5	0	0	17	21	33	0	0	19	95	0	3189
" Pilgrim	J. R. Ellis	114	60	1	0	20	2	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	650
" Fellowship	Rev. E. S. Smith	135	112	0	2	21	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	949
Jamestown, *c*	Edward B. Clark	50	50	0	2	15	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	4	0	225

Kokomo	W. L. Clause	508	308	0	7	64	62	0	0	50	0	7	0	0	100	219	0	1650
Lake Gage	Frank Brown	64	54	0	0	34	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
Liber	Mollie Weber	100	68	0	1	0	13	0	0	16	0	0	0	0	1	30	0	810
Mackaville	Mrs. H. H. Gilchrist	65	48	3	7	0	16	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	17	0	.....
Marion																		
Michigan City, First	Albert Nichols	150	112	0	17	20	0	0	0	42	0	0	0	0	17	59	50	1365
" Emmanuel, *Ger.*	Miss R. Krueger	45	40	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
Ontario	Jacob J. Davidson	45	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	130
Orland	Milton T. Rose	110	54	0	4	55	12	56	0	1	0	4	0	0	0	73	0	.....
Perth	Rev. James Hayes	65	35	0	5	0	2	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	5	0	.....
Porter	Wm. Jump	51	28	0	0	0	1	0	0	9	0	5	0	0	0	15	0	610
Portland	Samuel Gearheart	50	30	10	0	12	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	.....
Ridgeville	Wm. C. Cruse	48	40	11	0	25	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	230	245	0	148
Ross	Emery Nicholson	71	40	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.....
Solsberry	Ebenezer F. Torrence	80	64	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	125
Terre Haute, First	Charles C. Oakey	375	211	0	86	155	495	25	10	808	40	10	10	0	309	1707	0	6364
" Second	Rev. D. W. Andrews	118	85	0	23	40	8	0	0	12	0	3	0	0	0	23	0	.....
Vigo, South																		
Washington	Edward F. Perry	139	75	0	4	0	3	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	7	0	1500
West Chester	Miss Ella Jay	60	35	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Whiting	Charles D. Davidson	80	53	2	0	0	6	0	0	22	0	5	0	0	6	39	0	1034
OTHER STATES.	Total	5009	3083	89	396	1064	$1237	$150	$119	$1738	$202	$188	$24		$1091	$4599	$50	$41318
Fort Recovery, O	G. W. Krenning	125	75	5	0	0	10	0	8	55	0	7	0	0	0	80	0	500

MINISTERS

And Their Post-office Addresses.

Ainslie, James Stuart.....Fort Wayne.
Andrews, David W.....Terre Haute.
Belfrey, Wm. T.....Andrews.
Bonney, John R .....Orland.
Brooks, Edward L.....Fort Recovery, O.
Cole, John A .....Hammond.
Crum, John H.....Terre Haute.
Curtis, Edward D.....Indianapolis.
Dewhurst, Frederick E.....Indianapolis.
Diggs, Marshall W. .....Fort Recovery, O.
Dorn, Wm. H.....Michigan City.
Frink, Lemuel T .....Hobart.
Gilchrist, Howard H .....Macksville.
Goodman, Wm. W .....Macksville.
Gordon, Wm. C.....Anderson.
Harden, John .....Brightwood.
Hayes, James.....Coal Bluff.
Hyde, Nathaniel A .....Indianapolis.
Keen, Lyman S. .....Bremen.
Kerns, Herbert A.....East Chicago.
Knopf, Frank E. .....Elkhart.
Lewis, James M.....Indianapolis.
Moon, Hiram E.....Portland.
Pollard, Samuel W.....Fairmount.
Preston, Jared R.....Ontario.
Sanborn, D. Lee.....Fremont.
Smith, Richard.....Hammond.
Smith, Thomas.....Glezen.
Smith, Edwin S .....Indianapolis.
Spelman, Henry O.....Angola.
Thomas, Wm. Arthur .....Kokomo.
Townsend, Lewis A. .....Whiting.
Travis, David Q.....Indianapolis.
Trueblood, Jasper.....Corydon.
Watson, James B.....Ridgeville.
Warburton, C. S.....Indianapolis.
White, Levi.....Marion.
Wilson, Levin.....Cynthiana.
Wilson, John W.....Indianapolis.

Minutes of the General Congregational Association of Indiana for 1894

MINUTES

OF THE

THIRTY-SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES

And Ministers of Indiana,

HELD WITH THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF FORT WAYNE

MAY 8-10, 1894,

TOGETHER WITH THE REPORT OF THE FOURTEENTH
ANNUAL MEETING OF THE HOME MISSIONARY
SOCIETY OF INDIANA.

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OFFICERS OF ASSOCIATION,

1894.

MODERATOR.

Rev. EDWARD D. CURTIS, D. D.....Indianapolis.

SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

Rev. NATHANIEL A. HYDE, D. D.....Indianapolis.

SCRIBE.

Rev. HENRY O. SPELMAN.....Angola.

ASSISTANT SCRIBE.

Rev. JAMES M. LEWIS.....Indianapolis.

REGISTRARS OF ASSOCIATIONS.

Northeast Association..... Rev. Jared Preston, Ontario.
Northwest Association.....Rev. Lyman S. Keen, Bremen.
Central Association.....Rev. John W. Wilson, Indianapolis.
Ohio Valley Association.....Rev. R. Mackintosh, Washington.

PLACE OF NEXT MEETING.

The next Annual Meeting of the Association will be held at Marion, commencing Tuesday, May 14th, 1895, at 7:30 P. M.

ASSOCIATIONAL PREACHER.

Rev. George Hindley.....Ridgeville.

ALTERNATE PREACHER.

Rev. William Arthur Thomas.....Kokomo.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

On Business and Program for Next Meeting—Revs. Levi White, F. E. Knopf, Geo. Hindley, J. W. Wilson, Miss E. B. Warren.

On Finance—Rev. F. E. Knopf, Deas. W. H. Quaife, J. R. Irving.

On Ridgeville College—Revs. J. H. Crum, D. D., W. A. Thomas, Levi White, J. W. Wilson, Prof. W. A. Bell.

On Ministerial Aid—Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., Miss E. B. Warren, Rev. F. E. Knopf.

On the Work of the Church Building Society—Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D.

On the Work of the Sunday-school Society—Rev. James S. Ainslie.

On the Work of the Educational Society—Rev. J. H. Crum, D. D.

On the Work of the American Missionary Association—Rev. Frank E. Knopf.

HISTORICAL SUMMARY.

YR.	PLACE.	MODERATOR.	PREACHER.
1858	Indianapolis ..	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.....	
1859	Indianapolis....	Prof. Wm. Twining.....	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.
1860	Terre Haute....	Rev. Jacob Chapman	Prof. Wm. Twining.
1861	Indianapolis...	Rev. Lyman Abbott.....	Rev. Jacob Chapman.
1862	Francisco.....	S. H. Potter.....	Rev. Lyman Abbott.
1863	Terre Haute....	Rev. Dean Andrews.....	Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde.
1864	Indianapolis...	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.....	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.
1865	Kokomo	Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde ...	Rev. Joseph Jones.
1866	Terre Haute....	Rev. Joseph H. Jones.....	Rev. Dean Andrews.
1867	Indianapolis...	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.....	Rev. E. Frank Howe.
1868	Fort Branch ...	Rev. E. Frank Howe.....	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.
1869	Indianapolis...	Rev. T. B. McCormick.....	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.
1870	Kokomo	Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde	Rev. T. B. McCormick.
1871	Terre Haute....	Rev. L. R. Royce	Rev. D. J. Baldwin.
1872	Fort Wayne....	Rev. Joseph L. Bennett.....	Rev. J. L. Bennett.
1873	Elkhart.....	Rev. J. B. Fairbank	Rev. E. Frank Howe.
1874	Indianapolis...	Rev. E. Frank Howe.....	Rev. A. S. Wood.
1875	Kokomo	Rev. O. S. Dean.....	Rev. O. S. Dean.
1876	Michigan City.	Rev. A. S. Wood.....	Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde.
1877	Fort Wayne....	Rev. Evarts Kent.....	Rev. Evarts Kent.
1878	Peru	Rev. J. M. Seymour.....	Rev. S. S. Martyn.
1879	Terre Haute....	D. S. Alexander.....	Rev. Oscar C. McCulloch.
1880	Elkhart.....	Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde	Rev. Thomas R. Bacon.
1881	Kokomo	Rev. Oscar C. McCulloch....	Rev. M. W. Darling.
1882	Michigan City.	Rev. Robert McCune.....	Rev. Robert McCune.
1883	Indianapolis...	Rev. M. W. Darling.....	Rev. Edward H. Smith.
1884	Terre Haute....	Rev. Robert McCune.....	Rev. J. M. Seymour.
1885	Fort Wayne....	Rev. Edward H. Smith.....	Rev. Leonard Corning.
1886	Elkhart.....	Rev. Nath'l A. Hyde, D. D..	Rev. Nath'l A. Hyde, D. D.
1887	Kokomo	Rev. G. B. Safford, D. D....	Rev. E. C. Barnard.
1888	Michigan City.	Rev. A. K. Wray.....	Rev. M. Angelo Dougherty.
1889	Indianapolis...	Rev. Charles H. Rogers.....	Rev. Elnion C. Evans.
1890	Terre Haute....	Rev. Dwight P. Breed.....	Rev. Dwight P. Breed.
1891	Elkhart.....	Rev. James S. Ainslie.....	Rev. John H. Crum, D. D.
1892	Kokomo	Rev. John H. Crum, D. D...	Rev. James Stuart Ainslie.
1893	Ridgeville	Rev. John W. Wilson.....	Rev. Frank E. Knopf.
1894	Fort Wayne....	Rev. Edward D. Curtis, D. D.	Rev. Frederic E. Dewhurst.

Secretary and Treasurer, Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., 1858-1894.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. *Name.*—This body shall be called THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES AND MINISTERS OF INDIANA.

ARTICLE II. *Object.*—This Association shall not exercise any ecclesiastical authority or control over the ministers and churches belonging to it, but its object shall be to promote the harmony, fellowship and efficiency of the churches and their co-operation in Christian work.

ARTICLE III. *Membership.*—Any church connected with a District Association of Congregational churches in the State is entitled to representation in the General Association by its pastor, provided he is a member of said District Association in regular standing, also by one delegate chosen for that purpose. If any church has a resident membership exceeding one hundred it shall be entitled to one delegate for each one hundred members or any fraction thereof. Any ordained minister who is a member of a local Association of the State in regular standing may become a member of the General Association. Churches and ministers in uniting with this Association thereby give assent to its rules and doctrinal basis.

ARTICLE IV. *Officers.*—The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator and Scribe, elected annually by ballot, an Assistant Scribe, chosen *viva voce* at each meeting; also a Secretary and Treasurer, each to hold his office for three years or until his successor is elected; the two offices last named may be united in one person.

ARTICLE V. *Doctrinal Basis.*—This Association receives as articles of faith the doctrines of Christianity as they are set forth in the Statement of Doctrines prepared by the Creed Commission of the National Council and published in 1883.

ARTICLE VI. *Meeting.*—The annual meeting of this Association shall be held on the second Tuesday of May, at 7:30 P. M., and it shall continue in session till the close of the services of the following Thursday evening.

ARTICLE VII. *Quorum.*—A number of members equal to one-fifth of the number of churches entitled to representation shall be a quorum for the transaction of business. A smaller number may organize the meeting.

ARTICLE VIII. *Amendments.*—This Constitution may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of the Association by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS.

1. The annual meeting shall be opened on Tuesday evening with a sermon, the retiring Moderator presiding.

2. The preacher and his alternate shall be chosen by ballot at the previous annual meeting.

3. The retiring Moderator of the last meeting, or in his absence, the Secretary, shall call the Association to order on the following morning and shall preside till the body is organized.

4. Upon assuming his duties the newly elected Moderator shall lead the Association in prayer. Each session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

5. At each annual meeting a Business and Programme Committee of five shall be appointed for the ensuing year, one of whom shall be the pastor of the church with which the Association shall vote next to meet. This committee shall arrange for the discussion of topics as they may deem expedient; they shall provide for a hearing of the representatives of the National Societies, and they shall prepare and print a programme, and also have charge of the business docket of the meeting. This committee shall have power, when necessary, to arrange for the place of the annual meeting and a preacher.

6. A Finance Committee of three shall be appointed, who shall audit the Treasurer's account and shall estimate the probable expenses of the Association for the ensuing year, and shall assess upon each local Association its share of the amount and secure its collection during the year.

7. The registrars of the District Associations shall present at each annual meeting written reports on the condition of the churches in their respective bodies.

8. These and any other committees that may be needed shall be appointed by the Moderator or by a nominating committee, as the Association may determine.

MINUTES

The thirty-sixth annual meeting of the General Association of Congregational Churches and Ministers of Indiana convened in Plymouth Congregational church of Fort Wayne May 8, 1894, at 7:30 P. M.

After devotional services, words of greeting were spoken by Rev. J. S. Ainslie on behalf of the church and people of Fort Wayne, and the retiring Moderator, Rev. J. W. Wilson, of Indianapolis, responded.

The Associational sermon was preached by Rev. F. E. Dewhurst, of Plymouth church, Indianapolis, from Isaiah 63:1—"Who is this that cometh from Edom, with dyed garments from Bozrah? this that is glorious in his apparel, traveling in the greatness of his strength."

Secretary L. H. Cobb, D. D., addressed the Association on the work of the Congregational Church Building Society.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

At 9 o'clock the Association was called to order by the retiring Moderator, Rev. J. W. Wilson. Rev. F. E. Knapp, of Elkhart served as temporary Scribe.

The roll of ministers and delegates was made up, and and when complete it was as follows:

ROLL OF MEMBERS.

Churches.	*Ministers.*	*Delegates.*
Amboy	Mr. W. A. Walker	J. Elleman.
Anderson	Rev. A. H. Ball, D. D.	
Andrews	Rev. H. Janes	David Linn.
		Mrs. Huller.

Churches.	*Ministers.*	*Delegates.*
Angola	Rev. H. O. Spelman	Mrs. H. D. Wood.
		Mrs. F. S. Roby.
		Mrs. A. Taylor.
Bremen		Rev. L. S. Keen.
Brightwood		Mrs. S. J. Bowman.
Elkhart	Rev. F. E. Knopf	Dea. W. H. Quaife.
		Mrs. W. J. Meader.
Fort Wayne	Rev. J. S. Ainslie	W. S. Buck.
		Mrs. W. E. Mossman.
Fort Recovery	Rev. E. L. Brooks	
Hebron		Miss Ida E. Fisher.
Indianapolis.		
Plymouth	Rev. F. E. Dewhurst	Prof. W. A. Bell.
		Mrs. W. A. Bell.
Mayflower	Rev. J. W. Wilson	J. R. Irving.
		Mrs. C. H. Gillett.
People's	Rev. J. M. Lewis	
Kokomo	Rev. W. A. Thomas	Mrs. J. H. Davis.
		Mrs. W. A. Thomas.
Liber		Mrs. M. J. Weber.
		Mrs. M. Bosworth.
Marion	Rev. L. White	J. W. Long.
		Mrs. J. W. Long.
		Miss Carrie Long.
Michigan City	Rev. W. C. Gordon	
Orland	Rev. J. R. Bonney	Dea. M. T. Rose.
		Mrs. M. T. Rose.
		Mrs. Van Etta.
Ridgeville	Rev. Geo. Hindley	Rev. J. H. Macomber.
		Samuel C. Lay.
		Mrs. Joseph Lay.
Terre Haute	Rev. J. H. Crum, D. D.	Miss E. B. Warren.
Whiting	Rev. L. A. Townsend	

MINISTERIAL MEMBERS.

Rev. E. D. Curtis, D. D., Sup't A. H. M. S. ..... Indianapolis.
Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D. ..... Indianapolis.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

Rev. L. H. Cobb, D. D., Sec. C. C. B. S., New York.
Rev. A. N. Hitchcock, P. H. D., Dis. Sec. A. B. C. F. M., Chicago.
Rev. W. E. C. Wright, Am. Miss. Asso., Cleveland.
Rev. T. Y. Gardner, Dis. Sec. A. E. S., Cleveland.
Rev. W. F. McMillen, Dis. Sec. C. S. S. P. S., Chicago.
Rev. S. A. Northrop, Baptist Church, Ft. Wayne.
Rev. J. M. Boggs, Third Pres. Church, Ft. Wayne.
Rev. J. D. Eldridge, M. E. Church, Ft. Wayne.

Hon. Alexander Johnson, Sup't Institution for Feeble Minded, Ft. Wayne.

Dr. Irving, Sup't Public Schools, Ft. Wayne.

ORGANIZATION.

Organization was effected by the election of Rev. E. D. Curtis, D. D., Moderator; Rev. H. O. Spelman, Scribe, and Rev. J. M. Lewis, Assistant Scribe.

After remarks and prayer by the Moderator, the Association took a recess for fifteen minutes to allow local Associations to transact business.

On re-assembling the Moderator read a letter from Rev. F. P. Sanders, asking for a place on the programme. On motion it was voted that the Scribe be instructed to reply that owing to the crowded programme and the indefinitenes of the request it was declined.

On motion of J. W. Wilson, the programme as submitted by the Business Committee was adopted, subject to such changes as the Committee should recommend from time to time.

REPORTS ON THE CONDITION OF THE CHURCHES.

The report prepared by Rev. J. R. Preston, Registrar of the Northeastern Association, was read by Rev. J. S. Ainslie.

Rev. L. S. Keen, Registrar of the Northwestern Association, read the report on the condition of the churches of that body.

By permission of the Association the report of the clerk of the Elkhart Church, considered by the pastor in many respects a model report, was read by Rev. F. E. Knopf.

Rev. J. W. Wilson, Registrar of the Central Association, reported for the churches of that body.

At the conclusion of the reports, Dr. N. A. Hyde moved that the following be added to the By-Laws of the Association:

"The Registrars of the District Associations shall present at each annual meeting written reports on the condition of the churches of their respective bodies."

Secretary T. Y. Gardner addressed the Association on the work of the American Education Society.

Dr. N. A. Hyde presented the Treasurer's Report, which was referred to the Finance Committee.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Association was called to order at 2 o'clock p. m. After prayer an hour was devoted to addresses by representatives of the Woman's Board of the Interior.

The report of the year's work was read by Miss Eliza B. Warren, the Secretary of the Indiana Branch.

Mrs. Mary P. Wright followed with an address on Woman's Work for Woman in Turkey. Her address was illustrated by an exhibition of the costume and some of the customs of the native women in Turkey.

Rev. J. S. Ainslie reported on the Sunday-school work of the churches and made substantially the same recommendations as those adopted last year. The report was approved.

At four o'clock the Association gave an hour to addresses by representatives of the Woman's Home Missionary Union. (See Appendix.)

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION.

Mrs. W. A. Bell, President, read a letter from Mrs.

Thomas Smith, also the Twenty-seventh Psalm, suggested by Mrs. Thomas.

The minutes of the last meeting were read by Mrs. W. E. Mossman, Secretary.

After a paper by the President, Mrs. Bell, Mrs. Regal, Secretary of the Ohio Woman's Home Missionary Union, spoke on the need of Home Missionary work. (See Appendix.)

After prayer the Association took a recess until 7:30 p. m.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

The evening session was opened by an anthem, reading of the Scriptures by Rev. W. C. Gordon, and prayer by Rev. J. M. Lewis.

Rev. W. E. C. Wright, of Cleveland, addressed the Association on the work of the American Missionary Association.

Rev. A. N. Hitchcock, of Chicago, presented the claims of Foreign Missions. Rev. H. Janes then addressed the Association.

The Moderator appointed the following committees.

On Finance—Rev. F. E. Knopf, Dea. W. H. Quaife, Dea. J. R. Irving.

On Resolutions—Prof. W. A. Bell, Dr. J. H. Crum, Dr. N. A. Hyde, Rev. W. C. Gordon, Rev. J. S. Ainslie.

After prayer by Rev. Levi White, a recess was taken until nine o'clock Thursday morning.

THURSDAY MORNING.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator at 9:30 o'clock. A hymn was sung and prayer was offered.

The following Committee on Ridgeville College was appointed: Rev. J. H. Crum, D. D., Rev. W. A. Thomas and Rev. Levi White.

The Business and Programme Committee for the coming year was appointed as follows: Revs. Levi White, F. E. Knopf, Geo. Hindley, J. W. Wilson and Miss E. B. Warren.

The following report of the Finance Committee, made by its chairman, Rev. F. E. Knopf, was adopted.

The Finance Committee has examined the accounts of the Treasurer, Dr. N. A. Hyde, and vouchers presented, and finds everything correct and in good order. Taking his estimate made of expenses for the coming year, we recommend as follows: That an assessment of five cents per resident member be collected by the Registrars of local Associations before December 31, 1894; one cent to be retained for local associational expenses, and four cents paid to State Treasurer for the expenses of the State Association.

REV. F. E. KNOPF,
W. H. QUAIFE,
J. W. IRVING,
Finance Committee.

DELEGATES TO THE NATIONAL COUNCIL.

A letter from Dr. H. A. Hazen was read by Rev. J. S. Ainslie, calling attention to the meeting of the National Council at San Francisco next year, and asking that the Association appoint its delegate.

On motion, Rev. J. H. Crum was elected delegate, and Prof. W. A. Bell, alternate.

On recommendation of the Business Committee, Rev. J. S. Ainslie was elected Committee on Sunday-school Work for the coming year.

The following resolution was offered by Dr. J. H. Crum and adopted by the Association:

Resolved, That the expenses of delegates to the National Coun-

cil of Congregational Churches should be borne in part or in whole by the Association sending them.

The following special Committee on Place and Preacher for the Next Meeting was appointed: Rev. J. W. Wilson, Rev. Levi White and Rev. J. M. Lewis.

At this point the Association gave place to the Indiana Home Missionary Society.

PLACE AND PREACHER FOR NEXT MEETING.

At the conclusion of the meeting of the Indiana Home Missionary Society, the Committee on Place and Preacher for the Next Meeting made the following recommendation: Place of meeting, Marion; preacher, Rev. George Hindley; alternate, Rev. W. A. Thomas.

The report was adopted.

A paper on "What the People ought to Expect from the Pastor," was read by Deacon M. T. Rose, Orland.

The paper was discussed and commended by several members of the Association.

The Association took a recess until 2 o'clock P. M.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator, a hymn was sung and prayer was offered.

The records of previous meetings were read, corrected and approved.

Rev. F. E. Knopf announced the death of Rev. D. W. Andrews, and moved that the following message be immediately sent to his bereaved family: "The State Association sends love and sympathy to you in your sad bereavement." The dispatch was sent by order of the Association.

The Committee on Resolutions was instructed to pre-

pare a suitable resolution on the death of Bro. Andrews for record.

The Committee on Resolutions presented their report which was adopted; the resolutions were ordered to be read at the evening session; they were as follows:

THE RESOLUTIONS.

Your Committee on Resolutions beg leave to make the following report:

Resolved, That we congratulate the good people of Plymouth Congregational Church, of Fort Wayne, that they now have one of the most beautiful and one of the most conveniently arranged church homes in the State.

Resolved, That we express to them our most hearty thanks for the generous and cordial manner in which they have entertained the members of this Association.

Resolved, That we have greatly enjoyed and highly appreciated the music rendered at the various meetings, and wish to express thanks for the same, especially that of the male quartette.

Resolved, That we wish to express our high appreciation of the work done by Rev. J. S. Ainslie as Chairman of the Executive Committee, in preparing the programme and making ready for this meeting, and for the prompt and business-like manner in which he has carried out his plans.

Resolved, That we have learned since the meeting began, with sincere regret, of the death of Rev. D. W. Andrews, a beloved member of this body, a devoted and useful minister of the Gospel. We would express our profound Christian sympathy with his bereaved wife and orphaned children, and commend them to the tender mercies of Him Who alone can bring consolation at such a time.

Resolved, That we recognize in Ridgeville an institution doing thorough work and exercising the highest moral and Christian influence, and therefore worthy our hearty sympathy and co-operation—especially our co-operation.

Resolved, That the relation of this school to this Association requires of us that we all, so far as we can, exercise our influence in encouraging young people to attend the college, and to help it in all other reasonable ways.

W. A. BELL,
J. H. CRUM,
W. C. GORDON,
N. A. HYDE,
Committee.

The Association was addressed by Rev. J. H. Crum, D. D., on "Church and Christian Unity." He closed his address by presenting the resolutions on Christian unity adopted by the New Jersey State Association and submitted to other State Associations for their consideration and action. The matter was referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

RIDGEVILLE COLLEGE.

President Hindley addressed the Association on the subject of Ridgeville College. Further remarks were made by Rev. W. C. Gordon and others. A resolution concerning the college was presented by Prof. W. A. Bell, and referred to the committee on resolutions.

The visiting committee of the college was increased to five by the addition of Prof. W. A. Bell and Rev. J. W. Wilson.

A committee, consisting of Prof. Bell, J. W. Wilson, and Dr. Crum, was appointed to correspond with the Education Society to ascertain the best terms that can be obtained in behalf of Ridgeville College, also to apportion the amount to be raised by the various churches of the state.

Mr. Alexander Johnson and Dr. Irving, Superintendent of the City Schools of Ft. Wayne, were invited to sit as corresponding members.

A paper on the Institutional Church was read by Prof. Bell. The subject was discussed by Mr. Johnson, Dr. Hyde and Dr. Irving.

To illustrate primary teaching in Sunday-school, a lesson was taught to a primary class by Miss Mary Kimball, of Ft. Wayne.

The committee reported favorably on the resolutions

concerning Ridgeville College, and concerning the proposals of the New Jersey Association on the subject of Christian Unity.

THE PROPOSED ALLIANCE OF CHURCHES.

The proposed basis of alliance of Protestant churches was endorsed, which is as follows:

1. "The acceptance of the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, inspired by the Holy Spirit, as containing all things necessary to salvation, and as being the rule and ultimate standard of Christian faith.

2. "Discipleship of Jesus Christ, the divine Savior and Teacher of the world.

3. "The Church of Christ ordained by Him to preach His gospel to the world.

4. "Liberty of conscience in the interpretation of the Scriptures and in the administration of the church."

The benediction was pronounced by Dr. N. A. Hyde.

THURSDAY EVENING.

In the absence of the Moderator, the Association was called to order by Dr. Hyde.

After the singing of a hymn, Rev. J. M. Lewis offered prayer.

Rev. W. F. McMillen, of Chicago, then addressed the Association on the Sunday-school work, as fostered by the Congregational Sunday-school and Publishing Society.

Rev. J. W. Wilson then spoke in behalf of the work of the Y. P. S. C. E.

The resolutions adopted at the afternoon session were read by the clerk.

Brief closing addresses were made by Rev. L. A. Townsend, of Whiting, and Dr. N. A. Hyde.

After singing a hymn the session was closed with the benediction by Rev. J. S. Ainslie.

EDWARD D. CURTIS, *Moderator.*
HENRY O. SPELMAN, *Scribe.*

Attest:

NATHANIEL A. HYDE, *Secretary.*

HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF INDIANA.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde, D. D., President.
Rev. Edward D. Curtis, D.D., Secretary and Treasurer
Rev. John H. Crum, D. D., Terre Haute.
Rev. Frank E. Knopf, Elkhart.
Rev. James S. Ainslie, Fort Wayne.
Rev. Wm. Arthur Thomas, Kokomo.
Wm. F. Brunner, Indianapolis.

CONSTITUTION.

Article I. This society shall be called the "Home Missionary Society of Indiana."

Art. II. The object of this organization shall be to promote the interests of the Congregational Churches of the State, especially by securing their more efficient co-operation in home missionary work.

Art. III. Any minister or delegate holding connection with the State Association shall be considered a member of this society.

Art. IV. The officers of this society shall be a President, Secretary and Treasurer. The President shall be elected by ballot for the term of two years; the Secretary of the society and the Treasurer shall be elected annually, *viva voce*. The duties of these officers (defined in Articles V, VI, VII), are such as their names indicate.

Art. VIII. The society shall elect annually not more than five from their number, who, with the President, Secretary and Treasurer, shall constitute an Executive Committee, to whom all applications for aid to churches shall be submitted for their approval. This committee shall have supervision of all the missionary work in the State; it shall look especially after the interests of pastorless churches, furnishing them temporary supplies, and helping them to a permanent ministry whenever practicable. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to meet at least once a quarter to consult in regard to the work of the State Missionary, to act upon applications for aid, and to transact such other business as the best interests of missions in the State require. They shall, also, by their Secretary, report to the society, at its annual meetings, all their proceedings for approval.

Art. IX. This Constitution may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of the society by a two-thirds vote of all the members present.

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The fourteenth annual meeting of the Home Missionary Society of Indiana was called to order in Plymouth Church, Fort Wayne, Thursday Morning, May 10, at 10 o'clock, by the President, Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., who offered prayer.

Rev. H. O. Spelman was elected Scribe.

The report of the Executive Committee was read by Rev. E. D. Curtis, D. D. (See Appendix.)

On motion of Rev. J. H. Crum, D. D., the report was accepted and ordered printed in the annual minutes.

The following Nominating Committee was appointed: Rev. W. C. Gordon, Rev. Levi White and Deacon J. R. Irving.

Dr. E. D. Curtis made remarks on the estimated contributions and resources for the coming year.

The workings of the Executive Committee were explained by Dr. J. H. Crum.

Rev. F. E. Knopf delivered an address on Home Missions in Indiana.

It was moved by Rev. F. E. Knopf, that the churches be requested to contribute to Home Missions during the year at least one dollar per member. Carried.

The Nominating Committee reported through its chairman, Rev. W. C. Gordon, the following list of officers, who were elected:

For President, Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D.

For Secretary and Treasurer, Rev. E. D. Curtis, D. D.

For Members of Executive Committee, Rev. J. H. Crum, D. D., Rev. F. E. Knopf, Rev. J. S. Ainslie, Rev. W. A. Thomas and Wm. F. Brunner.

On motion of Rev. F. E. Knopf, the Indiana Home Missionary Society adjourned.

REV. N. A. HYDE, D. D., *President.*

REV. H. O. SPELMAN, *Scribe.*

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

BY EDWARD D. CURTIS, SUP'T.

The object of the Congregational Home Missionary Society is "to assist congregations that are unable to support the Gospel, and to give the means of Christian education to the destitute within the United States."

The "Home Missionary Society of Indiana" co-operates within the limits of the State with the work of the National Society. The closing of another year calls for a review of our operations, and such an outline as is practicable, of the status of the work.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

With the exception of the Annual Meeting, when the entire body of churches and ministers composing the "General Association of Indiana" are called into active participation in the counsels of the Society, the work is directed by the Executive Committee This body consists of five members, elected annually, to which are added the President and Secretary of the Society, making a board of seven members. This committee endeavor to efficiently co-operate with the National Society in exercising a more immediate supervision of home missionary work. All applications for aid to churches are submitted for its approval.

Through the Secretary, who is also the Superintendent of the National Society, a close and constant correspondence is carried on with the Secretaries at New York. The methods, plans and details of this great advance movement in the planting and nurture of Congregational churches in this very important and pivotal State, are thus matured and kept in constant review. The Constitution of the Society mentions it as the duty of the committee to meet "once a quarter," at least, for the transaction of missionary business. Since that Article was formulated, however, the National Society has adopted a yearly schedule system, which requires the outline and provision of the entire fiscal year in advance. As this anticipatory schedule, carefully prepared at a regular meeting by the State Committee, is made the basis, both at New York and by the State Committee, of all grants and expenditures, it has seemed unnecessary to hold formal and regular quar-

terly meetings, as was formerly done. The members of the committee live at divergent points, and a considerable expenditure of time and money is incurred at every regular meeting. It has been found that members of the committee can pay particular attention to the fields adjacent to them, and by means of consultation and correspondence can, conjointly with the superintendent, assist in determining such exigent and minor details as may require settlement or adjustment during the year. In such work all the members have shared.

THE APPORTIONMENT AND STATE CONTRIBUTIONS.

The committee has been compelled to face, during the past year, a diminishing treasury. The contributions, which amounted to $1,156.18, were $492.96 less than the preceding year. Statements sent from time to time by the New York Secretaries, told of the lessening receipts, and the advisability of retrenchment upon the then current schedule was duly emphasized. In the emergency there came a measure of relief in the payment of a legacy of $2,000 from the estate of Dea. Orlando Wilder, of Orland. Legacies are not usually accounted in the sum of the estimated schedule of contributions from a State. The National Society relies upon them to make up its share of the total apportionment. But, in this case, the State has been permitted to exceed its own total of $1,156.18 by $617.10, and there has been expended a total of $10,773.28, lacking only $226.72 of the combined schedule of $9,000 from New York, and $2,000 estimated contributions from Indiana.

It will not be altogether unexpected to you to learn definitely that the apportionment for the current year has been reduced from $9,000 to $6,500. Again the committee has named $2,000 as an estimate of Indiana's gifts, making a total of $8,500 available, if the contributions make good the estimate. Upon this new and reduced basis, the committee has scheduled the work for the coming year. The steadfast support of the National Society is gratefully acknowledged. It is cheering, also, to place on record the personal co-operation of the missionaries, and the efforts put forth by the aided churches to attain self-support.

The permanent welfare of our sisterhood of churches seems contingent upon the ability of the State churches to make good this year the $2,000 estimated contributions. Every proposed dollar is an integral part of the schedule, which is already painfully scant. The minimum consistent with wholesome and hopeful work has been reached. It seems our bounden duty to begin early and labor faithfully to raise the entire amount.

SYNOPSIS.

Thirty missionaries have been in commission, including Fort Recovery, O., during a whole or part of the year, supplying forty-two churches and preaching stations with the Gospel, and performing a total of twenty-two years of labor. Rev. Paul C. Burhans labored for a period as an evangelist among the churches. Successful meetings of a similar character have been held by brethren already under a stated commission.

Thirty-five Sunday-schools report a membership of 3,734.

NEW CHURCHES ORGANIZED.

Three new and hopeful fields have been developed into churches during the year.

September 12, 1893, a Swedish Congregational church of 19 members was organized in the Sanborn Memorial Chapel, Michigan City, where a Sunday-school had been maintained by the First church.

The Dunkirk church, the beginnings of which two years ago were overlaid by opposing circumstances, has been re-organized with a new and influential membership. It has called a pastor and entered upon active work for the Master. The membership is 36.

The south branch of Plymouth church, Ft. Wayne, was organized February 15th, by council, into the South Congregational church, with 24 members. At the same time a pastor was chosen. There is a good Sunday-school and a commodious purchased building.

TEMPORALITIES.

The building enterprise of Plymouth church, Fort Wayne, has been brought to successful completion. The dedication of the very completely equipped edifice took place November 5, 1893. It is interesting to recall that the first missionary sent by the Society to Fort Wayne, who took up permanent work, came in 1829. Several churches are engaged in the necessary preparations for the immediate erection of suitable houses of worship.

Anderson will build on its desirable central lot. Whiting has purchased a fine site for $1,000 cash, and has over $2,000 beside subscribed towards a church.

Dunkirk, under the active leadership of its new pastor, expects soon to provide a suitable church home.

In addition to these forward movements certain very important adjustments have marked the year, notably, the payment of the floating indebtedness of Michigan City First church; the set-

tlement of the building debt at Fairmount, and the completed payment of the expensive Anderson lot. Our gratitude is due to the Congregational Church Building Society for its liberal and steadfast support.

MISSIONARY CONVENTIONS.

A notable series of Home Missionary Conventions was held November 2-21, 1893. Superintendents Everz, Schauffler and Montgomery of the National Society, with Rev. James Hayes and the State Superintendent held meetings in nineteen churches. The brethern experienced in convention work elsewhere were pleased with the unusually large congregations and the intelligent and enthusiastic response which their addresses called forth. It was the parting visit of the lamented Superintendent M. W. Montgomery to the State of his youth and early manhood. The interest which his presence created among his old-time friends, as well as the comprehensive and profound study of Missionary conditions displayed in his masterly addresses, contributed largely to the success of the meetings.

PASTORAL CHANGES.

John A. Cole was ordained to the Gospel ministry by Council, December 19, 1893, in Plymouth church, Hammond.

Lewis A. Townsend was ordained March 26, 1894, at Whiting.

Rev. James M. Lewis was recognized pastor by Council at People's church, Indianapolis, February 13, 1894.

Ministers connected with our Indiana churches have closed their pastorates as follows:

Self-Supporting Churches.—Rev. Lyman S. Keen has resigned at Bremen; Rev. Lemuel E. Frink has left Hobart and is preaching in a Chicago suburban church.

Aided Churches.—Rev. H. A. Kerns, of East Chicago, has removed to Illinois; Rev. D. W. Andrews has resigned from the ministry because of ill-health; Rev. H. H. Gilchrist left Macksville to become the General Missionary in the Black Hills under the C. H. M. S.; Rev. W. C. Gordon passed from Anderson to Michigan City; Rev. John A. Cole resigned Plymouth church, Hammond, to become pastor of the Presbyterian church, at Crown Point, Ind.; Rev. William T. Belfry went to Wisconsin from Andrews; W. H. Dorn, of Chicago Seminary, ceased his labors with Emmanuel church, Michigan City; Rev. D. Lee Sanborn resigned at Freemont and Jamestown; Rev. James B. Watson retired from Liber and Portland, and took work at Chagrin Falls, Ohio, with the Christian denomination; Rev. John B. Williams left Washington for Oklahoma.

Total departures, 12.

The following ministers have assumed pastorates during the year:

Self-Supporting Churches.—Rev. W. C. Gordon has become pastor of the First church, Michigan City; Rev. C. M. Arthur came from Michigan to Bremen; Mr. David Wallace, of Chicago Seminary, entered upon the pastorate of the Hobart and Ross Churches.

Aided Churches.—Rev. Albert H. Ball, D. D., formerly of Elgin, Ill., has assumed charge at Anderson; Mr. F. E. Bigelow accepted East Chicago; Rev. Carl Freitag came to Emmanuel church (German), Michigan City; Rev. Henry Janes came from Moody's School, Chicago, to the Andrews church; Rev. Joseph Kerr of the post-graduate course, Chicago Seminary, became pastor of South church, Fort Wayne; Rev. George Hindley accepted his joint call to Ridgeville from the college and church as President and pastor; Rev. Alexander MacGregor came from the M. E. Church, Grand Forks, Dakota, to the new church, Dunkirk; Rev. Rocliffe Mackintosh, of Brunswick Seminary, New Jersey, became pastor at Washington; Mr. Carl E. Englund, of Chicago Seminary, took charge of the New Swedish Congregational church, Michigan City; Mr. C. E. Grove and Mr. William A. Walker, began supplying respectively at Fremont and Amboy.

Total additions to ministerial force, 15.

IN GENERAL.

The operations of the Society in caring for destitute congregations, and developing Gospel enterprises yet in their infancy, have steadily gone forward in Indiana during the year. The missionaries located at the various points have done faithful and self-sacrificing service. There have been several instances of self-denial and enlarged benevolence to mark the development of organic responsibility in the local churches and the triumphs of redeeming grace in individual lives. The meetings of the Associations have been well attended and vital with the adjustments of Christian thought, and consecrated lives to the social conditions which need reformation and uplift.

An appreciable depression from the vigor and continuity of organic church development came in the early season with the opening of the World's Fair at Chicago. Our fields were within the immediate vicinage of the "White City," and the popular interest and temporary absorption in the affairs of the great exposition were not conducive to the strengthening of church life. Enterprises that could ill-afford any cessation of financial or spiritual

effort, for the time being entered into a stage of stagnation. It was a period of vacation. Close upon the heels of this *hiatus* came the panic with its general depression of business and the closing of manufactories. Possibly no industries in the land were stricken with a more complete paralysis than the glass factories of the gas belt, and the iron works recently located in the State. A number of our young churches had been organized to supply these new centers of industry with the Gospel. It was impossible to avert the result. Building enterprises languished. Great difficulty was found by such churches in meeting their obligations to the missionaries. Payments due the Congregational Church Building Society on account of loans were deferred. The churches were compelled to put off the day of self-support. In some cases it became necessary, if services were to be maintained, to ask larger aid from the Society.

It is readily apparent that under such circumstances new work during the fall and winter could not be thought of. Lessened contributions on the field and lessened gifts to the Society made it imperative that all available resources should be husbanded to protect the missionaries already at work and to keep the struggling churches from discouragement. This has been done. The burdens entailed by the situation have been borne largely by the National Society, and the faithful secretaries and committee at New York have stood as a wall of defense against incoming disaster. The generosity of the National Society to the work in Indiana, no doubt warranted by the strategic conditions of the fast developing State, is nevertheless a subject of most devout gratitude on the part of missionaries and State Committee.

We have been permitted to close the year with solid ranks; and the later months have witnessed a remarkable outpouring of the Holy Spirit in many of the fields which have been sustained at such great sacrifice. Revivals of unusual power have marked the winter months of 1893–4. The accessions to the churches have been unusually large. Men and women have seemed ready and anxious to heed Divine councils and accept the cross of Christ as their portion. Out of the depression and great fear of the financial troubles have emerged the beginnings of spiritual life. The churches have, many of them, been lifted up to a higher plane of self-sacrifice, and have developed new ideals and loftier faiths. The missionaries called upon to endure, with something of old-time heroism, the deprivations of pioneer preachers, have not been found wanting.

The indications of a better financial situation are at hand. The

State continues to receive considerable accessions from the East and South, to its population; by the incoming of factories into the gas territory. Were the means at our command, we could begin work in a number of most inviting fields. It is impossible but that the churches in their freshened zeal and largely increased numbers shall, with returning prosperity, rally to the support of the Home Missionary Society and fill its treasury with consecrated gifts, so will it be enabled to go forward into the new regions whose social conditions and spiritual needs emphasize their call for systematic and efficient help.

NATHANIEL A. HYDE,
JOHN H. CRUM,
WM. A. BELL,
FRANK E. KNOPF,
WM. F. BRUNNER,
JAMES S. AINSLIE,
EDWARD D. CURTIS,
Executive Committee.

FT. WAYNE, IND., May 10, 1894.

OUR GIFTS FOR HOME MISSIONS

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1894.

Abbreviations—The figures immediately following the name of the church denote church collections; W. H. M. U., gifts of Women's Societies; S. S., Sunday-school contributions; P, personal gifts.

Amboy, 7.31; W. H. M. U., 75c; S. S., 2.28; P. 5	$15 34
Anderson, 25; W. H. M. U., 10	35 00
Andrews	5 09
Angola, 13.10; W. H. M. U., 1.25; Y. P. S. C. E., 4	18 35
Beachwood	2 00
Bremen, 2.27; W. H. M. U., 4.75	7 02
Brightwood	4 75
Camden	00
Cannelburg, W. H. M. U	25
Cardonia, 2; W. H. M. U	4 00
Caseyville	2 00
Cedarwood	2 50
Central	8 50
Coal Bluff, 3; S. S., 2	5 00
Dunkirk, 10; W. H. M. U., 1	11 00
East Chicago	11 00
Elkhart, 19.06; W. H. M. U., 25	44 06
Fairmount, 3; W. H. M. U., 2	5 00
Fort Wayne, Plymouth, 20; W. H. M. U., 10	30 00
Fort Wayne, South	00
Fremont, 11.05; W. H. M. U., 2.40	13 45
Hammond, First, 2.76; W. H. M. U., 2.25	3 01
Hammond, Plymouth	2 00
Hebron	3 05
Hosmer, 7.50; W. H. M. U., 7.50	15 00
Indianapolis, Plymouth, 15; S. S., 6.26, Ladies' U., 59.25; Y. P. Cir., 10; King's Dau., 15; P, 6.10	111 51
Indianapolis, Mayflower, 39; W. H. M. U., 19; S. S., 7.52; Y. P. S. C. E., 15.50	76 02
Indianapolis, Peoples, 51; S. S., 2.16	$53 16
Indianapolis, Fellowship, 16; W. H. M. U., 4	20 00
Indianapolis, Pilgrim	58 64
Jamestown	00
Kokomo, W. H. M. U	25 00
Lake Gage, 2.02; W. H. M. U., 10	12 02
Liber, 8; W. H. M. U., 2.25	10 25
Macksville, 31; W. H. M. U., 5	36 00
Marion, 12.50; W. H. M. U., 9.75	22 25
Michigan City, First, 44.69; W. H. M. U., 11; Y. P. S. C. E., 10	65 69
Michigan City, German	5 75
Michigan City, Swedish	00
Ontario	1 50
Orland, 31.65; W. H. M. U., 9; Y. P. S. C. E., 5	45 65
Perth	2 00
Porter, 14.40; S. S., 2.85	17 25
Portland	19 20
Ridgeville	15 76
Ross	00
Solsberry	00
Terre Haute, First, 1.60; W. H. M. U., 50; S. S., 14.70; Y. P. S. C. E., 15	239 70
Terre Haute, Second	23 00
Vigo, South	00
Washington, W. H. M. U	25
Westchester	4 00
Whiting	8 00
Fort Recovery, Ohio	10 00
Brazil, Mrs. C. S. Andrews	5 00
Lowell, E. N. Morey	5 00
Orlando Wilder, Orland, legacy	2000 00

WOMAN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS OF THE INTERIOR.

The Indiana Branch of the Woman's Board of Missions of the Interior held its nineteenth annual meeting in the Congregational church, Fort Wayne, May 8, 1894, Mrs. W. F. Brunner in the chair.

The session of Tuesday morning was opened with devotional exercises, led by the President, Mrs. W. F. Brunner, of Indianapolis. General business and appointment of committees occupied the remainder of the session.

In the afternoon the Secretary and Treasurer presented their reports; also Vice-Presidents of Associations and delegates reported.

Miss Mary P. Wright, for eight years a missionary in Turkey, made an address contrasting the degradation and oppression of woman in that dark land with the privileges and honor enjoyed by her where the light of the Gospel shines.

The session Wednesday afternoon opened with the reading of the Secretary's report. Miss Wright followed with an address on life in Turkey. After singing by the children of the kindergarten school of Plymouth church, Miss Wright addressed the children.

The officers for the ensuing year are as follows:

President, Mrs. W. F. Brunner, Indianapolis.

Vice-Presidents, Mrs. N. A. Hyde, Indianapolis, Mrs. E. M. Elder, Terre Haute.

Secretary, Miss E. B. Warren, Terre Haute.

Treasurer, Miss Mary E. Perry, Indianapolis.

Secretary Young People's Work, Miss S. J. Cummings, Indianapolis.

Secretary Children's Work, Mrs. C. O. Howe, Longwood, Ill.

Vice-President Northeast Association Mrs. Frank Roby, Angola.

Vice-President Northwest Association, Mrs. Howard Smith, Elkhart.

Vice-President Central Association, ——————.

Vice-President Ohio Valley Association, Mrs. Thomas Smith, Hosmer.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION.

The Woman's Home Missionary Union held its sixth annual meeting in the Congregational church, Fort Wayne, May 9, 1894, Mrs. W. A. Bell, President, in the chair.

Mrs. W. E. Mossman, Secretary, read the minutes of the last meeting.

The following Business Committee was appointed: Miss Warren, Mrs. Roby and Mrs. Weber.

The report of the Treasurer, Mrs. F. E. Dewhurst, was read by the President, Mrs. Bell.

The Secretary read her annual report, and delegates from the churches reported for their respective organizations.

After a paper by Mrs. Bell, Mrs. Flora Regal, Secretary of the Ohio Home Missionary Union, delivered an address on the need of Home Missionary Work in our country.

Rev. E. D. Curtis, D. D., spoke of the work in the coal mine district.

The following report of Committee on Nominations was adopted:

President—Mrs. W. A. Bell, Indianapolis.

Vice-President—Mrs. L. J. Weinstein, Terre Haute.

Secretary—Mrs W. E. Mossman, Fort Wayne.

Treasurer—Mrs. F. E. Dewhurst, Indianapolis.

Vice-President Northeastern Association—Mrs. J. D. Timmerman, Angola.

Vice-President Northwestern Association—Mrs. D. F. Coe, Elkhart.

Vice-President Central Association—Mrs. R. E. Defrees, Indianapolis.

Vice-President Ohio Valley Association—Mrs. M. F. Mackintosh, Washington.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

N. A. HYDE, Treasurer, in account with the General Association of Indiana.

Dr.

1893, June.	Balance in the treasury	$12 00	
Nov.	J. R. Preston, Registrar N. E. Asso	20 65	
1894, Feb.	J. W. Wilson, Registrar Cent. Asso	8 25	
Feb. 20.		18 85	
Feb.		15 80	
Mar.		9 95	
May.		7 40	
"		15 90	
"		1 15	
"	L. S. Keen, Registrar N. W. Asso	25 00	
			$134 95

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1893, June.	Agent Cent. Traffic Asso	5 00	
	Postage	1 00	
1894, Feb.	Carlon & Hollenbeck, Printing 400 Minutes of 1893	58 00	
May.	Programs and mailing same	3 75	
	Collecting reports Sunday-schools	1 25	
	Assessment for year book 1893	45 39	
	Telegram of condolence	50	
	Balance in treasury	20 06	
			$134 95

DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

I. NORTHEAST ASSOCIATION.

REV. JARED R. PRESTON, Ontario, Registrar.

Andrews,
Angola,
Fort Wayne, Plymouth,
Fort Wayne, South.
Fremont,
Jamestown,
Lake Gage,
Ontario,
Orland.

II. NORTHWEST ASSOCIATION.

REV. LYMAN S. KEEN, Bremen, Registrar.

Bremen,
East Chicago,
Elkhart,
Hammond, First,
Hammond, Plymouth,
Hebron,
Hobart,
Michigan City, First,
Michigan City Emman. Ger.
Michigan City, Scandinav.,
Porter,
Whiting,
Ross.

III. CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

REV. JOHN W. WILSON, Indianapolis, Registrar.

Amboy,
Anderson,
Brightwood,
Camden,
Cardonia,
Caseyville,
Coal Bluff,
Dunkirk,
Fairmount,
Fort Recovery, Ohio.
Indianapolis, Plymouth,
" Mayflower,
" People's,
" Pilgrim.
Indianapolis, Fellowship,
Kokomo,
Liber,
Macksville,
Marion,
Perth,
Portland,
Ridgeville,
Solsberry,
Terre Haute, First,
Terre Haute, Second,
Vigo, South,
Westchester,

IV. OHIO VALLEY ASSOCIATION.

REV. ROCLIFFE MACKINTOSH, Washington, Registrar.

Beechwood, New Amsterdam P. O.,
Cannelburgh,
Cedarwood.
Central,
Hosmer, Glezen, P. O.,
Washington.

STATISTICS OF CHURCHES FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1893.

CHURCHES.	Organized.	CLERKS.	MINISTERS.	Ordained.	Began Present Services.	MEMBERS.				ADMITTED.			REMOVALS.				Baptisms.		Families.
						Male.	Female.	Total.	Absent.	Confession.	Letter.	Total.	Death.	Letter.	Discipline.	Total.	Adults.	Infants.	
Amboy	1890	Angus J. Elleman	Wm. A. Walker, *Lay*	....	1893	19	26	45	14	5	0	5	0	2	5	7	1	0	30
Anderson	1891	Albert Russell	Albert H. Ball, *p*	1870	1893	10	26	36	6	3	10	13	0	1	0	1	4	5	17
Andrews	1883	Henry Janes	Henry Janes, *Lic*	...	1893	7	21	28	6	1	5	6	1	4	6	11	1	5	20
Angola	1869	Dea. Ora Smith	Henry O. Spelman, *p*	1890	1891	12	59	71	8	2	3	5	0	0	1	1	1	0	80
Beachwood *a*	1884	David Youstler	Jasper Trueblood, *p*	1878	1892	18	12	30	0	10	0	10	1	0	0	1	0	0	10
Bremen	1874	Dr. N. A. Herring	Charles M. Arthur, *p*	1889	1894	12	33	45	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	50
Brightwood	1889	Miss E. Meadows	S. W. Pollard	1885	1894	23	35	58	7	11	2	13	0	4	0	4	5	5	21
Camden	1891	J. W. Thomas		....	....	4	8	12	0	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Cannelburgh	1891	Joseph Harris	Rocliffe Mackintosh, *Lic*	....	1893	4	4	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15
Cardonia	1879	Thomas Teal	James Hayes, *p*	1879	1888	7	19	26	3	1	0	1	0	0	12	12	0	6	100
Caseyville	1893	James A. Bradley	James Hayes, *p*	1879	1888	4	12	16	0	16	0	16	0	0	0	0	5	2	100
Cedarwood	1881	Edward Haas	Jasper Trueblood, *p*	1878	1892	22	20	42	0	15	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Central	1881	Stephen Tindall	Jasper Trueblood, *p*	1878	1892	22	21	43	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	30
Coal Bluff	1888	James Hayes	James Hayes, *p*	1879	1888	13	28	41	5	2	0	2	1	3	2	6	0	1	100
Dunkirk	1891	Mrs. G. W. Fertich	Alexander McGregor, M. E.	....	1894	4	18	22	0	3	12	15	0	4	0	4	2	0	50
East Chicago	1889	Miss Ida L. Lamb	Frank E. Bigelow, *Lic*	....	1893	9	20	29	6	0	0	0	2	3	0	5	0	0	50
Elkhart	1869	Mrs. E. S. Coe	Frank E. Knopf, *p*	1889	1889	33	96	129	12	18	2	20	1	7	8	16	13	0	76
Fairmount	1888	Joseph A. Miles		....	....	17	41	58	4	6	5	11	0	5	7	12	5	0	75
Fort Wayne, Plyth	1870	Phillip L. Potter	Jas. Stuart Ainslie, *p*	1882	1890	56	131	187	6	24	7	31	6	9	2	17	9	7	200
" " South	1894	Richard A. Crosby	Joseph Kerr, *p*	1892	1894	5	20	25	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	50
Fremont	1874	Mrs. L. E. McNabb	C. E. Grove, *Lic*	....	1894	10	26	36	10	4	4	8	1	4	0	5	2	0	40
Hammond, First	1887	E. W. Murray		....	....	14	17	31	0	4	2	6	1	5	0	6	2	0	30
Hammond, Plyth	1889	Miss Rena Ames		....	....	9	29	38	6	8	7	15	2	2	0	4	6	0	40
Hebron	1882	Mrs. E. Rice		....	....	5	10	15	5	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Hobart	1885	Alfred T. Davis	David Wallace, *Lic*	....	1893	26	50	76	16	4	1	5	2	12	0	14	0	2	40
Hosmer *b*	1887	Dr. T. J. Smith	Thomas Smith, *p*	1891	1891	22	46	68	0	14	6	20	1	2	1	4	6	4	40
Indianapolis, Plyth	1857	Miss M. F. Allgire	Frederic E. Dewhurst, *p*	1882	1892	116	251	367	59	10	12	22	0	3	61	64	2	1	250
" Mayflower	1869	Dr. W. S. Rawls	Nathaniel A. Hyde, *p. em.* / John W. Wilson, *p. c*	1858 / 1891	1872 / 1891	60	114	174	24	5	4	9	2	9	3	14	0	4	150

Indianapolis, Peop.	1890	Miss A. M. Cooper	James M. Lewis, *p. c*	1887	1893	55	92	147	3	16	14	30	0	3	0	3	11	6	200
" Pilgrim	1890	William West	S. W. Pollard, *p*	1885	1894	14	25	39	1	17	4	21	1	6	1	8	15	2	150
" Fellowship	1891	Lyman Graham	Edwin S. Smith, *p*	1886	1892	30	53	83	5	19	26	45	0	3	3	6	14	6	200
Jamestown *c*	1872	Miss H. M. Gray	C. E. Grove, *Lic*	....	1894	5	12	17	0	0	1	1	0	3	0	3	0	0	20
Kokomo	1863	W C. McCune	Wm. Arthur Thomas, *p*	1882	1892	67	134	201	44	19	12	81	2	2	0	4	11	4	120
Lake Gage	1889	Frank Brown	John R. Bonney, *p*	1863	1892	13	14	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
Liber *d*	1854	Mrs. F. Antram		....	....	15	17	32	0	0	2	2	0	2	0	2	0	0	47
Macksville	1885	David H. All	John Harden, *p*	1879	1894	26	54	80	9	14	4	18	2	8	2	12	2	0	40
Marion	1889	Mrs. G. A. Southall	Levi White, *p*	1871	1893	20	48	68	3	35	8	43	0	0	0	0	10	1	200
Michigan City, First	1835	W. R. Corbin	Wm. C. Gordon, *p*	1889	1893	38	115	153	18	4	8	12	1	3	4	8	2	0	115
" Emmanuel, *Ger.*	1891	Louis Blessin	Karl Freitag	....	1893	14	25	39	0	18	2	20	1	0	3	4	0	4	50
" Sanb'n Mem. *Sca.*	1898	J. Erickson	Carl E. Englund, *Lic*	....	1894	11	12	23	....	12	11	23	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Ontario	1840	Jared R. Preston	Jared R. Preston, *p*	1865	1889	15	20	35	16	0	2	2	1	0	4	5	0	0	15
Orland	1836	Mrs. J. Van Etta	John R. Bonney, *p*	1863	1892	26	62	88	33	0	4	4	0	5	0	5	0	1	50
Perth	1889	Mrs. M. A. Kennedy	James Hayes, *p*	1879	1889	5	5	10	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	30
Porter	1891	Mrs. H. Busse	Richard Smith, *p*	1892	1894	5	4	9	0	0	0	0	0	3	4	7	0	0	10
Portland	1887	Rev. H. E. Moon		....	....	7	15	22	3	6	2	8	0	2	20	22	1	0	12
Ridgeville	1892	W. B. Starr	George Hindley, *p*	1875	1893	19	29	48	8	8	4	12	2	3	2	7	8	0	23
Ross	1888	Mrs. K. A. Gallagher	David Wallace, *Lic*	....	1893	5	7	12	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	25
Solsberry	1868	Henry M. Elliot		....	....	14	30	44	7	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Terre Haute, First	1834	Joseph A. Foote	John H. Crum, *p*	1862	1889	105	284	389	60	12	2	14	1	1	0	2	12	0	250
" Second	1891	Miss Adelia Leake	David Q. Travis, *p*	1889	1894	7	13	20	0	8	4	12	0	0	2	2	0	0	50
Vigo, South, *e*	1854	Robert Smith	John Harden, *p*	1879	1894	10	23	33	6	0	0	0	0	5	5	10	0	0	20
Washington	1890	Chas. Brumbley	Rocliffe Mackintosh, *Lic*	....	1893	12	13	25	0	13	0	13	1	3	0	4	2	0	30
West Chester	1861	Miss L. Montgomery	Hiram E. Moon, *p*	1891	1893	3	7	10	0	0	0	0	1	0	7	8	0	0	10
Whiting	1890	Victor P. France	Lewis A. Townsend, *Lic*	....	1893	13	17	30	2	10	8	18	0	5	8	13	2	0	80
OTHER STATES.																			
Fort Recovery	1853	Ralph McClung	E. L. Brooks	1892	1892	17	31	48	4	11	1	12	0	0	24	24	5	1	18
Total, 55.			Totals	....	....	1129	2834	3463	427	379	190	569	36	186	197	869	172	68	3429

CHURCHES: *Added*, Caseyville and Michigan City, *Scandinavian*. Gain in church members, 236; in Sunday-schools, 262; in benevolent contributions, $4,783; in home expenditures, $10,751. ORGANIZATION: Four District Associations unite in THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF INDIANA.

a. New Amsterdam P. O.
b. Glezen P. O.
c. Crooked Creek P. O.
d. Portland P. O.
e. Terre Haute.

STATISTICS OF CHURCHES FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1893.

CHURCHES.	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.						Y. P. S. C. E.	BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.											
	SUPERINTENDENTS.	Members.	Average Attendance.	Ad. to Ch.	Benevolent Contrib'ts.			Foreign Missions.	Education.	Church Building.	Home Missions.	Am. Mis. As.	Sunday-Schools.	New West.	Ministerial Aid.	Other.	Total.	Legacies.	Home Expenditures.
Amboy	A. J. Elleman	60	40	2	$ 3	$ 0		$ 2	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$13	$15	$ 0	$600
Anderson	A. M. Oswald	65	43	1	0	36		2	0	0	35	0	3	0	0	25	65	0	808
Andrews	John Fry	34	20	0	0	20		0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	300
Angola	Ora Smith	115	58	1	0	50		10	25	0	23	10	0	0	0	12	80	0	2518
Beachwood	Edward Windell	40	25	2	10	0		0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	100
Bremen	J. R. Ladd	50	40	0	4	25		2	0	0	4	2	2	0	0	0	10	0	325
Brightwood		100	89	0	0	32		7	0	0	14	0	10	0	0	0	31	0	450
Camden								0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cannelburgh	Mrs. J. A. Harris	10	6		0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	68
Cardonia	Wm. Smith	124	70	0	0	0		1	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	6	0	76
Caseyville	James A. Bradley	100	55	5	0	15		0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	75
Cedarwood								0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25
Central								0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	70
Coal Bluff	Mrs. E. Hayes	150	50	0	1	25		3	0	64	7	0	2	0	0	0	76	0	75
Dunkirk								0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
East Chicago	Mr. Rowley	70	60	0	4	15		0	0	0	23	0	4	0	0	0	27	0	1160
Elkhart	E. C. Bickel	125	85	10	32	40		45	0	0	32	0	1	0	0	60	138	0	1616
Fairmount	A. D. Bryan	140	75	3	4	30		10	0	2	10	0	0	2	0	0	24	0	2550
Fort Wayne	Paul Mossman	350	250	10	0	50		22	15	10	30	10	5	0	0	7	99	0	10000
" " South	Byron Stopher	110	90			12												0	
Fremont	Mose Kinsey	60	40	3	5	30		2	0	4	15	0	5	0	0	0	26	0	325
Hammond, First	I. P. Johnson	100	70	0	0	20		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	311
" Plymouth		70	36	3	4	33		5	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	12	20	0	400
Hebron	E. B. Sherwood	55	35	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hobart	Alfred T. Davis	100	50	4	4	55		5	0	0	25	0	10	0	0	25	65	0	450
Hosmer	J. W. Clifford	100	75	3	0	40		11	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	20	36	0	300
Indianapolis, Plymouth	Geo. W. Beaton	185	104	5	0	0		0	0	0	134	0	0	0	0	129	268	0	7279
" Mayflower	W. F. Brunner	239	158	2	34	51		269	7	14	279	15	11	8	0	222	825	0	5622
" Peoples	D. P. McNaughey	185	120	11	19	87		21	0	0	37	0	8	0	0	5	71	0	1920

Indianapolis, Pilgrim	Lyman Rief	120	75	14	0	28	4	0	0	53	0	0	0	0	0	57	0	650
" Fellowship	H. M. Butler	200	139	16	6	48	2	0	0	20	0	13	0	0	0	35	0	2496
Jamestown	Edward B. Clark	50	32	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	175
Kokomo	W. Z. Clause	552	312	16	21	65	59	17	11	50	0	21	0	0	125	283	0	2200
Lake Gage	Frank Brown	35	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.....
Liber	C. E. Milligan	100	75	0	5	0	25	0	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	45	0	194
Macksville	David H. All	80	54	1	0	36	6	0	0	28	0	0	0	0	0	34	0	359
Marion	Mrs. G. A. Southall	80	50	5	10	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	10	0	600
Michigan City, First	Albert Nichols	178	112	3	0	27	35	0	7	25	0	0	0	0	0	67	0	902
" Emmanuel, G.	Miss R. Krueger	82	60	4	6	0	8	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	15	34	0	250
" Sanb'n M., Sc.	J. Gronlund	90	80	0	0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ontario	J. J. Davidson	88	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.....	0	0	0	60
Orland	Milton T. Rose	95	94	0	2	28	0	9	0	25	0	0	0	0	0	34	0	500
Perth	Elizabeth Hayes	65	30	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	10	0	0	0	13	0	15
Porter	Wm. Jump	60	40	0	3	0	2	0	2	17	0	0	0	0	0	21	0	757
Portland	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	0	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	.....
Ridgeville	C. W. Macomber	53	39	9	8	20	10	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	13	0	273
Ross	Mrs. K. A. Gallagher	45	30	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	4	0	.....
Solsberry	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Terre Haute, First	Prof. W. A. Noyes	350	200	0	75	130	587	60	20	693	40	15	0	0	707	2122	0	3820
" Second	John Roberts	175	140	4	0	20	8	0	0	23	0	5	0	0	0	36	0	350
Vigo, South	Lida Helman	40	25	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	156
Washington	R. Mackintosh	136	53	7	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	6	0	200
West Chester	J. S. George	60	35	0	0	5	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	34
Whiting	Chas. D. Davidson	110	60	7	12	25	20	15	0	0	5	4	0	0	5	49	0	665
OTHER STATES.																		
Fort Recovery, O	G. W. Kremming	125	75	5	0	0	25	0	0	50	0	0	0	0	0	75	0	500
	Total	5596	3529	156	279	1083	1209	158	136	1734	84	140	10	0	1392	4858	0	52569

MINISTERS

AND THEIR POST-OFFICE ADDRESSES.

AINSLIE, JAMES STUART.....Fort Wayne.
ARTHUR, CHARLES M.....Bremen.
BALL, ALBERT H.....Anderson.
BIGELOW, F. E.....East Chicago.
BONNEY, JOHN R.....Orland.
BROOKS, EDWARD L.....Fort Recovery, Ohio.
CRUM, JOHN H.....Terre Haute.
CURTIS, EDWARD D.....Indianapolis.
DEWHURST, FREDRIC E.....Indianapolis.
DIGGS, MARSHALL W.....Fort Recovery, Ohio.
GILCHRIST, HOWARD H.....Little Rock, S. D.
GOODMAN, WM. W.....Macksville.
GORDON, WM. C.....Michigan, City.
HARDEN, JOHN.....Macksville.
HAYES, JAMES.....Coal Bluff.
HILL, GEORGE E.....Indianapolis.
HINDLEY, GEORGE.....Ridgeville.
HYDE, NATHANIEL A.....Indianapolis.
JANES, HENRY.....Andrews.
KEEN, LYMAN S.....Bremen.
KNOPF, FRANK E.....Elkhart.
LEWIS, JAMES M.....Indianapolis.
MACOMBER, HIRAM J.....Ridgeville.
MACGREGOR, ALEXANDER.....Dunkirk.
MACKINTOSH, ROCLIFFE.....Washington.
MOON, HIRAM E.....Portland.
POLLARD, SAMUEL W.....Indianapolis.
PRESTON, JARED R.....Ontario.
SMITH, RICHARD.....Ross.
SMITH, THOMAS.....Glezen.
SMITH, EDWIN S.....Indianapolis.
SPELMAN, HENRY O.....Angola.
THOMAS, WM. ARTHUR.....Kokomo.
TOWNSEND, LEWIS A.....Whiting.
TRAVIS, DAVID Q.....Terre Haute.
TRUEBLOOD, JASPER.....Corydon.
WALKER, WM. A.....Amboy.
WARBURTON, C. S.....Indianapolis.
WHITE, LEVI.....Marion.
WILSON, LEVIN.....Cynthiana.
WILSON, JOHN W.....Indianapolis.

Minutes

Of the General

Congregational Association

of Indiana

For 1895

MINUTES

OF THE

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF

Congregational Churches

AND MINISTERS OF INDIANA,

HELD WITH THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF MARION

MAY 14-16, 1895,

TOGETHER WITH THE REPORT OF THE FIFTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF INDIANA.

By the courtesy of the members of the "Christian Temple," the sessions of the Association were held in their House of Worship.

INDIANAPOLIS:
CARLON & HOLLENBECK, PRINTERS,
1895.

OFFICERS OF ASSOCIATION,

1895.

MODERATOR.

REV. FRANK E. KNOPF ..... Elkhart.

SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

REV. NATHANIEL A. HYDE, D. D. ..... Indianapolis.

SCRIBE.

REV. FREDERICK A. SLYFIELD ..... Brightwood.

ASSISTANT SCRIBE.

MRS. EDWIN R. CHENEY ..... Anderson.

REGISTRARS OF ASSOCIATIONS.

Northeast Association ..... REV. JARED R. PRESTON, Ontario.
Northwest Association ..... REV. FRANK E. KNOPF, Elkhart.
Central Association ..... REV. JOHN W. WILSON, Indianapolis.
Southern Association ... REV. ROCKLIFFE MACKINTOSH, Washington.

PLACE OF NEXT MEETING.

The next Annual Meeting of the Association will be held at Michigan City, commencing Tuesday, May 12, 1896, at 7:30 P. M.

ASSOCIATIONAL PREACHER.

To be appointed by the Programme Committee.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

On Business and Programme for Next Meeting—Revs. W. C. Gordon, E. D. Curtis, D. D., Mrs. W. A. Bell, L. A. Townsend, A. H. Ball, D.D.

On Finance—Rev. E. S. Smith, Levi White, Mr. Joseph Elleman.

On the Work of the Education Society and Ridgeville College—Revs. Levi F. Waldo, J. H. Crum, D. D., Prof. W. H. Bell, S. W. Pollard, Hiram E. Moore.

On Ministerial Aid—Rev. James S. Ainslie, Miss E. B. Warren, Rev. John H. Crum, D. D.

On the Work of the Church Building Society—Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D.

On the Work of the Sunday-School Society—Rev. Wm. A. Thomas.

On the Work of the American Missionary Association—Rev. James E. Butler.

HISTORICAL SUMMARY.

YR.	PLACE.	MODERATOR.	PREACHER.
1858	Indianapolis...	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D....	
1859	Indianapolis...	Prof. Wm. Twining	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.
1860	Terre Haute ...	Rev. Jacob Chapman.....	Prof. Wm. Twining.
1861	Indianapolis...	Rev. Lyman Abbott.....	Rev Jacob Chapman.
1862	Francisco.....	S. H. Potter.....	Rev. Lyman Abbott.
1863	Terre Haute ...	Rev. Dean Andrews..... ..	Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde.
1864	Indianapolis...	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.....	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.
1865	Kokomo	Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde....	Rev. Joseph Jones.
1866	Terre Haute ...	Rev. Joseph H. Jones.....	Rev. Dean Andrews.
1867	Indianapolis...	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.....	Rev. E. Frank Howe.
1868	Fort Brauch ...	Rev. E Frank Howe...	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.
1869	Indianapolis...	Rev. T. B. McCormick	Rev. M. A. Jewett, D. D.
1870	Kokomo	Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde....	Rev. T. B. McCormick.
1871	Terre Haute ...	Rev. L. R. Royce.....	Rev. D. J. Baldwin.
1872	Fort Wayne....	Rev. Joseph L. Bennett.....	Rev. J. L. Bennett.
1873	Elkhart.....	Rev. J. B. Fairbank.....	Rev. E. Frank Howe.
1874	Indianapolis ..	Rev. E. Frank Howe.....	Rev. A. S. Wood.
1875	Kokomo	Rev. O. S. Dean.....	Rev. O. S. Dean.
1876	Michigan City.	Rev. A. S. Wood.....	Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde.
1877	Fort Wayne....	Rev. Evarts Kent.....	Rev. Evarts Kent.
1878	Peru.....	Rev. J. M. Seymour.....	Rev. S. S. Martyn.
1879	Terre Haute ...	D. S. Alexander.....	Rev. Oscar C. McCulloch.
1880	Elkhart.....	Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde.	Rev. Thomas R. Bacon.
1881	Kokomo	Rev. Oscar C. McCulloch...	Rev. M. W. Darling.
1882	Michigan City.	Rev. Robert McCune.....	Rev. Robert McCune.
1883	Indianapolis ..	Rev. M. W. Darling	Rev. Edward H. Smith.
1884	Terre Haute ...	Rev. Robert McCune.....	Rev. J. M. Seymour.
1885	Fort Wayne....	Rev. Edward H. Smith	Rev. Leonard Corning.
1886	Elkhart.....	Rev. Nath'l A. Hyde, D. D..	Rev. Nath'l A. Hyde, D. D.
1887	Kokomo	Rev. G. R Safford, D. D.....	Rev. E C. Barnard.
1888	Michigan City	Rev. A. K. Wray.....	Rev. M. Angelo Dougherty.
1889	Indianapolis ..	Rev. Charles H. Rogers.....	Rev. Elnion C. Evans.
1890	Terre Haute...	Rev. Dwight P. Breed.....	Rev. Dwight P. Breed.
1891	Elkhart.....	Rev. James S. Ainslie.....	Rev. John H. Crum, D. D.
1892	Kokomo	Rev. John H. Crum, D. D...	Rev. James Stuart Ainslie.
1893	Ridgeville.....	Rev. John W. Wilson.	Rev. Frank E. Knopf.
1894	Fort Wayne....	Rev. Edward D. Curtis, D. D.	Rev. Fred'k E. Dewhurst.
1895	Marion.....	Rev. Frank E. Knopf.....	Rev. Wm. A. Thomas.

Secretary and Treasurer, Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., 1858–1895.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. *Name.*—This body shall be called THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES AND MINISTERS OF INDIANA.

ARTICLE II. *Object.*—This Association shall not exercise any ecclesiastical authority or control over the ministers and churches belonging to it, but its object shall be to promote the harmony, fellowship and efficiency of the churches and their co-operation in Christian work.

ARTICLE III. *Membership.*—Any church connected with a District Association of Congregational churches in the State is entitled to representation in the General Association by its pastor, provided he is a member of said District Association in regular standing, also by one delegate chosen for that purpose. If any church has a resident membership exceeding one hundred it shall be entitled to one delegate for each one hundred members or any fraction thereof. Any ordained minister who is a member of a local Association of the State in regular standing may become a member of the General Association. Churches and ministers in uniting with this Association thereby give assent to its rules and doctrinal basis.

ARTICLE IV. *Officers.*—The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator and Scribe, elected annually by ballot, an Assistant Scribe, chosen *viva voce* at each meeting; also a Secretary and Treasurer, each to hold his office for three years or until his successor is elected; the two offices last named may be united in one person.

ARTICLE V. *Doctrinal Basis.*—This Association receives as its articles of faith the doctrines of Christianity as they are set forth in the Statement of Doctrines prepared by the Creed Commission of the National Council and published in 1883.

ARTICLE VI. *Meeting.*—The annual meeting of this Association shall be held on the second Tuesday of May, at 7:30 P. M., and it shall continue in session till the close of the services of the following Thursday evening.

ARTICLE VII. *Quorum.*—A number of members equal to one-fifth of the number of churches entitled to representation shall be a quorum for the transaction of business. A smaller number may organize the meeting.

ARTICLE VIII. *Amendments.*—This Constitution may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of the Association by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS.

1. The annual meeting shall be opened on Tuesday evening with a sermon, the retiring Moderator presiding.

2. The preacher and his alternate shall be chosen by ballot at the previous annual meeting.

3. The retiring Moderator of the last meeting, or, in his absence, the Secretary, shall call the Association to order on the following morning and shall preside till the body is organized.

4. Upon assuming his duties the newly elected Moderator shall lead the Association in prayer. Each session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

5. At each annual meeting a business and Programme Committee of five shall be appointed for the ensuing year, one of whom shall be the pastor of the church with which the Association shall vote next to meet. This committee shall arrange for the discussion of topics as they may deem expedient; they shall provide for a hearing of the representatives of the National Societies, and they shall prepare and print a programme, and also have charge of the business docket of the meeting. This committee shall have power, when necessary, to arrange for the place of the annual meeting and a preacher.

6. A Finance Committee of three shall be appointed, who shall audit the Treasurer's account and shall estimate the probable expenses of the Association for the ensuing year, and shall assess upon each local Association its share of the amount and secure its collection during the year.

7. The registrars of the District Associations shall present at each annual meeting written reports on the condition of the churches in their respective bodies.

8. These and any other committees that may be needed shall be appointed by the Moderator or by a nominating committee, as the Association may determine.

MINUTES.

The thirty-seventh annual meeting of the General Association of Congregational Churches and Ministers of Indiana was held with the Congregational Church of Marion, commencing May 14, 1895, at 7:30 P. M. By the courtesy of the members of the "Christian Temple," the sessions of the Association were held in their central and commodious house of worship.

The retiring Moderator, Rev. Edward D. Curtis, D. D., conducted the opening services. The Associational sermon was preached by Rev. William A. Thomas. Words of welcome were spoken in behalf of the church and people of Marion by Rev. Levi White, to which Rev. Dr. Curtis responded.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

At 9 o'clock the members of the Association engaged in a devotional service, led by Rev. William A. Thomas.

At 9:30 o'clock the retiring Moderator, Rev. Edward D. Curtis, D. D., called the Association to order. Rev. Frederick A. Slyfield was elected temporary Scribe.

The roll of ministers and delegates present was made up, and when completed was as follows:

Churches.	*Ministers.*	*Delegates.*
Amboy	Wm. A. Walker	A. Jones.
Anderson	Albert H. Ball, D. D.	Edward R. Cheney.
Andrews		Mrs. Park.
Brightwood	Frederick A. Slyfield	Wm. Morton.
Cannelburgh	Rockliffe Mackintosh	

Churches.	*Ministers.*	*Delegates.*
Cardonia	James Hayes	
Caseyville	James Hayes	
Coal Bluff	James Hayes	
Dunkirk	Wm. A. Thomas	
Elkhart	Frank E. Knopf	Mrs. Knopf.
Fairmount	Jas. E. Butler	
Fort Wayne.		
Plymouth	Jas. S. Ainslie	Mrs. W. E. Mossman.
		Dea. J. Gilbert.
		Wm. V. Douglass.
Indianapolis.		
Plymouth		Wm. A. Bell.
		Mrs. Wm. A. Bell.
Mayflower		Mrs. W. F. Brunner.
People's		
Fellowship	E. S. Smith	
Liber	Albert E. Pierce	
Marion	Levi White	Cyrus Moore.
Michigan City.		
First	Wm. C. Gordon	
Perth	James Hayes	
Ridgeville		Prof. W. B. Starr.
		Alice McFarland.
Terre Haute.		
First	John H. Crum, D. D.	Miss Eliza Warren.
		Mrs. Kilburn.
Second	W. F. Harding	
Washington	Rockliffe Mackintosh	
Westchester	Hiram E. Moore	

MINISTERIAL MEMBERS.

Rev. Edward D. Curtis, D. D.	Indianapolis.
Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde, D. D.	Indianapolis.
Rev. George E. Hill	Indianapolis.
Rev. Levi F. Waldo	Anderson.

ORGANIZATION.

The organization of the Association was effected by the election of Rev. Frank E. Knopf Moderator and Rev. Frederick A. Slyfield Scribe and Mrs. Edwin R. Cheney Assistant Scribe.

Association was led in prayer by the Moderator.

Rev. Edwin S. Smith was appointed Reporter, such a service being requested by the local press.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

The following persons were invited to sit with the Association as corresponding members:

Rev. Joseph B. Clark, D. D., Sec. A. H. M. S., New York.
Rev. Judson Smith, D. D., Sec. A. B. F. M., Boston.
Rev. W. E. C. Wright, D. D., Dis. Sec., A. M. A., Cleveland.
W. A. Duncan, Ph. D., Sec. C. S. S. P. S., Boston.
Rev. W. F. McMillan, Dis. Sec. C. S. S. P. S., Chicago.
Rev. J. H. Thomas, Presbyterian Church, Marion.
Rev. A. G. Greenman, M. E. Church, Marion.
Rev. H. Simons, A. M. E. Church, Marion.
Rev. F. M. Baldwin, Presbyterian Church, Marion.
Rev. W. O. Darling, United Brethren Church, Marion.
Rev. W. N. Howe, P. United Dunkard Church, Marion.
Rev. E. H. Vail, Sec. Y. M. C. A., Marion.
Rev. W. F. Harding, Terre Haute.
Rev. Levi F. Waldo, Anderson.
Rev. James E. Butler, Fairmount.
Rev. Albert E. Pierce, Liber.

Subsequently Revs. Levi F. Waldo and W. F. Harding were enrolled as members of the State Association, having been received on certificates into the Central Association at a called meeting of that body.

On recommendation of the Business and Program Committee, the printed order of exercises was adopted, subject to such modifications as may be deemed necessary.

REPORTS OF CHURCHES.

Rev. James S. Ainslie read the report on the conditions of the churches of the Northwest Association, in the absence of the Registrar, Rev. J. R. Preston.

The report of the Registrar of the Central Association, Rev. John W. Wilson, was read by Dr. N. A. Hyde.

The report of the Southern Association, hitherto known as the "Ohio Valley Indiana Association," was read by Rev. Rockliffe Mackintosh, Registrar.

Rev. Frank E. Knopf, Registrar of the Northwest Association, read a report on the state of the churches in that body.

Rev. Levi White, of Marion, and Rev. Albert E. Pierce, of Liber, made brief verbal statements concerning their respective churches.

Dr. N. A. Hyde, Treasurer of the Association, presented his report, which was referred to the Finance Committee.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

On Finance—Revs. Edwin S. Smith, Levi White, and Mr. Joseph Elleman.

On Nominations—Rev. William C. Gordon, Dr. John H. Crum, Dr. E. D. Curtis, Rev. Rockliffe Mackintosh, Mrs. W. E. Mossman.

The Association was then led in prayer by Dr. N. A. Hyde.

SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

Rev. James S. Ainslie read a paper on Sunday-Schools in the State.

Rev. W. F. McMillen, Dist. Sec. C. S. S. & P. S., then addressed the Association on "A Little Child Shall Lead Them;" Dr. W. A. Duncan, Field Secretary, followed with an address on the work of our National Sunday-School and Publishing Society.

Took a recess till 2 P. M.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

At 2 P. M. the Association was called to order by the Moderator. After singing, prayer was offered by Rev. Frederick A. Slyfield.

Rev. W. C. Gordon, of the Nominating Committee, submitted the following report, which was adopted:

Place of Next Meeting—Michigan City.

Preacher—To be appointed by Programme Committee.

Programme Committee—Rev. W. C. Gordon, Dr. Edward D. Curtis, Rev. L. A. Townsend, Dr. Albert H. Ball, Mrs. Wm. A. Bell.

Resolutions—Dr. N. A. Hyde, Rev. Rockliffe Mackintosh, Ed S. Smith.

Ridgeville College—Rev. Levi F. Waldo, Dr. J. H. Crum, Prof. W. A. Bell, Rev. S. W. Pollard, Rev. Hiram E. Moon.

Ministerial Aid—Rev. James S. Ainslie, Miss E. B. Warren, Dr. J. H. Crum.

Education Society—The Committee on Ridgeville College.

Sunday-School Society—Rev. William A. Thomas.

Church Building Society—Dr. N. A. Hyde.

American Missionary Association—Rev. James E. Butler.

W. C. GORDON,
J. H. CRUM,
E. D. CURTIS,
R. MACKINTOSH,
MRS. MOSSMAN,
Nominating Committee.

CENTENNIAL OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF MARIETTA, OHIO.

A letter was read, inviting the Association to send a delegate to participate in the one hundredth anniversary of the organization of the Congregational church of Marietta, Ohio (the first church in the original

Northwest Territory). The invitation was accepted, and Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., was appointed the delegate and Rev. J. H. Crum, D. D., his alternate.

A communication from the A. B. C. F. M., inviting the Association to nominate candidates for corporate membership in that body, was referred to the Nominating Committee, which reported later the names of Rev. John H. Crum, D. D., and James S. Ainslie. The report was adopted.

An address followed by Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D., in the interest of the Church Building Society.

Rev. N. H. Whittlesey, D. D., of New Haven, addressed the Association on the subject of "Ministerial Relief."

THE INDIANA BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

At this point the Association gave an hour to the Indiana Branch of W. B. F. M., Mrs. W. F. Brunner, President, in the chair.

Rev. Rockliffe Mackintosh offered prayer.

Miss Eliza B. Warren, Secretary, then read the report of the work of the Indiana Branch during the past year.

Mrs. M. J. Wilcox, of the Board of the Interior, Chicago, then addressed the Association.

Mrs. Bertha D. Storer, missionary from South Africa, followed with an account of the progress of the work in missionary fields.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION.

An hour was given to a hearing from representatives of the Home Missionary Union, Mrs. W. A. Bell, President, in the chair.

Mrs. W. E. Mossman, State Secretary of the Union, read the annual report.

Mrs. Edwin R. Cheney followed with an address on the remarkable career of Marcus Whitman, the martyr missionary, who saved Oregon to this country.

Rev. Rockliffe Mackintosh spoke on a home missionary's experience.

Sympathy was expressed with Rev. James Hayes and the Coal Bluff church in view of the loss of their house of worship by fire.

Took a recess till evening.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

The evening session was opened by a hymn led by the choir of the Marion Congregational Church. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. H. Thomas, pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Marion.

Rev. Judson Smith, D.D., Secretary of A. B. C. F. M., Boston, addressed the Association, giving a survey of the work of the American Board from the commencement to the present time.

Rev. Joseph B. Clark, D.D., New York, spoke in behalf of the American Home Missionary Society, its vast field and its grand work.

THURSDAY MORNING.

At 9 o'clock Association engaged in devotional exercises, conducted by Rev. Edwin S. Smith.

Rev. W. E. C. Wright addressed the Association on behalf of the American Missionary Association.

Rev. James S. Ainslie read a paper on "Bible Study, its needs and methods," which was followed by a

general discussion, participated in by Revs. J. H. Crum, R. Mackintosh, E. S. Smith, A. E. Pierce, A. H. Ball.

"The Mission of the Local Church" was the next subject discussed.

(1) "In its relation to the Intellectual and Social Needs of the People"—A paper by Rev. W. C. Gordon.

(2) "As a Civic Force"—A paper by Rev. Frederic E. Dewhurst, read by Prof. W. A. Bell.

(3) "In relation to the Spiritual Needs of the People." Discussed by Dr. J. H. Crum.

SUPPRESSION OF LYNCH LAW.

Dr. N. A. Hyde offered the following resolution:

Recognizing the influence and responsibility of the churches for developing and maintaining right public sentiment, we express our distress and alarm at the growth of lynch law in our country. We call upon Christian churches and Christian people to resist in every possible way the disposition to take the investigation of criminal charges out of the hands of regular courts and transfer it to the excited action of mass meetings or mobs.

Especially do we call on religious bodies in the States where lynching has occurred to make their voice heard for law and order. Many executive and judicial officers have spoken clearly and emphatically on the subject. We believe that, if the churches are equally outspoken, a rapid development of sentiment may be expected in favor of order and of such prompt legal investigation and punishment of crime as will speedily bring better security of life and person in all the land.

On this matter of such great and pressing importance we request our National Council to memorialize ecclesiastical bodies in all parts of the United States.

After remarks by Sec. W. E. C. Wright, earnestly advocating the resolution, it was unanimously adopted.

The Finance Committee reported that they had examined the accounts and vouchers of the Treasurer and found them correct. They recommended that an

assessment of five cents, per resident member, be collected by the Registrars of local Associations before December 31, 1895; one cent per member to be retained for expenses of local Associations and four cents per member to be paid to the Treasurer of the State Association.

E. L. SMITH,
LEVI WHITE,
JOSEPH ELLEMAN,
Finance Committee.

Took a recess till 2 P. M.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

At 2 o'clock the Moderator called the Association to order, and announced that further proceedings would be suspended to give place to the Indiana Home Missionary Society.

RIDGEVILLE COLLEGE.

At the conclusion of the Indiana Home Missionary Society, the Moderator called for the report on Ridgeville College.

In the absence of Rev. George Hindley, President of the college, the report forwarded by him was read by the Scribe.

Prof. W. B. Starr, by request, addressed the Association on the condition of the college. He was followed with remarks by Prof. W. A. Bell, Revs. Levi F. Waldo, E. S. Smith, Hiram E. Moon, John H. Crum.

The following resolutions were then adopted:

Resolved, That we recognize in Ridgeville an institution doing thorough work and exercising the highest moral and Christian influence, and therefore worthy our hearty sympathy and co-operation—especially our co-operation.

Resolved, That the relation of this school to this Association requires of us that we all, so far as we can, exercise our influence in encouraging young people to attend the college, and to help it in all other reasonable ways.

FRANK E. KNOPF,
J. H. CRUM,
W. A. BELL,
Committee.

The minutes were read by the Scribe and were approved as now presented.

The following resolutions of thanks were submitted by the Chairman of the Committee on Resolutions:

Resolved, That we hereby express our hearty thanks to the pastor and members of the Marion Congregational Church, also to the members of other churches who have welcomed us to their homes, for their generous hospitality.

Resolved, That we desire to express our high appreciation of the kindness and courtesy of the members of the Christian Temple in granting us the use of this beautiful and commodious house of worship during this meeting of the Association.

N. A. HYDE,
R. MACKINTOSH,
E. S. SMITH,
Committee.

THURSDAY EVENING.

The closing meeting of the Association was held at 7:30 o'clock.

Addresses were delivered by Sec. W. E. C. Wright and Dr. Albert H. Ball.

At the conclusion of the addresses the Scribe read the resolutions that had been adopted by the Association.

The session closed with singing and the benediction by Dr. A. H. Ball.

FRANK E. KNOPF, *Moderator.*
FREDERICK A. SLYFIELD, *Scribe.*

Attest:

NATHANIEL A. HYDE, *Secretary.*

HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF INDIANA.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Rev. Nathaniel A. Hyde, D. D., President.
Rev. Edward D. Curtis, D. D., Secretary and Treasurer.
Rev. John H. Crum, D. D., Terre Haute.
Rev. Frank E. Knopf, Elkhart.
Rev. James S. Ainslie, Fort Wayne.
William A. Bell, Indianapolis.
Samuel Davis, Kokomo.

CONSTITUTION.

Article I. This society shall be called the "Home Missionary Society of Indiana."

Article II. The object of this organization shall be to promote the interests of the Congregational Churches of the State, especially by securing their more efficient co-operation in home missionary work.

Article III. Any minister or delegate holding connection with the State Association shall be considered a member of this society.

Article IV. The officers of this society shall be a President, Secretary and Treasurer. The President shall be elected by ballot for the term of two years; the Secretary of the society and the Treasurer shall be elected annually, *viva voce*. The duties of these officers (defined in Articles V, VI, VII), are such as their names indicate.

Article VIII. The society shall elect annually not more than five from their number, who, with the President, Secretary and Treasurer, shall constitute an Executive Committee, to whom all applications for aid to churches shall be submitted for their approval. This committee shall have supervision of all the missionary work in the State; it shall look especially after the interests of pastorless churches, furnishing them temporary supplies, and helping them to a permanent ministry whenever practicable. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to meet at least once a quarter to consult in regard to the work of the State Missionary, to act upon applications for aid, and to transact such other business as the best interests of missions in the State require. They shall, also, by their Secretary, report to the society, at its annual meetings, all their proceedings for approval.

Article IX. This Constitution may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of the society by a two-thirds vote of all the members present.

FIFTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The fifteenth annual meeting of the Home Missionary Society of Indiana was held in the Christian Temple May 16, 1895, at 2 o'clock P. M., Dr. N. A. Hyde in the chair.

Rev. James Hayes led in prayer.

Dr. Edward D. Curtis, Secretary, read the annual report of the Executive Committee.

On motion of Rev. Frank E. Knopf the report was approved.

The President appointed Rev. James Hayes, Hiram E. Moon and Deacon John Gilbert a committee to nominate officers for the ensuing year.

The Nominating Committee reported the following list of officers, who were elected:

For President, Rev. N. A. Hyde, D. D.

For Secretary and Treasurer, Rev. E. D. Curtis, D. D.

Other members of Executive Committee, Rev. J. H. Crum, D. D., Rev. James S. Ainslie, Rev. F. E. Knopf, Prof. Wm. A. Bell, Mr. Samuel Davis.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

BY EDWARD D. CURTIS, SUP'T.

NECROLOGY.

While the General Association of our State was in session at Fort Wayne last year, May 8, 1894, the news was received that Rev. D. W. Andrews had the day previous passed to his heavenly rest. This intelligence was unexpected and brought a shock of pain to the hearts of many friends he had won during his missionary life among us.

David W. Andrews was born in Corydon, England, August 31, 1849, where the Park Street Congregational Church received him, a lad of seventeen years, into its fold. In 1871, a young man of twenty-two, he crossed the ocean to find place and opportunity here. After two years of additional schooling at Evanston, Ill., he with three other young men, Messrs. Martin, Hammer and Flook, began in the summer of 1875 evangelistic labors, using a large tent. They were known as the "Union Mission Band," and the various meetings they held in Northwestern Indiana have left a deep impress upon its religious life. In the fall he was ordained, and December 12 of the same year (1875) married to Miss A. Merton, of Sedley, Ind., who, with two daughters, survives him. Making his home at Hobart, Ind., he continued in revival work for seven years, caring meanwhile for the Union Mission churches. Several of these eventually became Congregational. Afterwards he served continuously as a missionary of the Society—1883-5 in Fremont, Jamestown, Ind., and East Gilead, Mich.; 1885-8, Hebron, Ind.; 1888-92, Hobart, and 1892-4, Second Congregational Church, Terre Haute. In November, 1893, he suffered an attack of la grippe and was able to do but little work thereafter. April 1, 1894, he resigned and retired to the family home at Sedley, where he died May 7th, aged forty-four years and eight months. His last hours were spent in peace and he expressed his willingness to meet his Maker. His widow has taken up her abode at 6058 Wentworth Ave., Englewood, Ill.

Capt. S. H. Potter, of Terre Haute, died January 8, 1895, aged eighty-six years. For forty years he had been a prominent busi-

ness man in the city, and much of the time had been identified with the First Congregational Church. He was for some years a corporate member of the A. B. C. F. M. He was known as an ardent advocate of Sabbath reform, and in general was a man of conservative views and much strength of character. His funeral, January 11, was largely attended by the religious and business leaders of the city of all denominations.

Rev. William W. Goodman, of Macksville, a Father in Israel, also went to his reward September 24, 1894, at the ripe age of eighty years. Mr. Goodman was the son of Micajah and Melinda Goodman, and was born at Bruceville, Knox county, September 6, 1814. His father was a soldier in the war of 1812. His school opportunities were limited to six months' attendance. At seventeen he united with a Presbyterian Church, a large majority of whose members held to the divine institution of slavery. Our brother believed it to be immoral and wicked, and a barrier to true religion, so he withdrew. In December 29, 1849, he, with his brother John and ten others, organized a Congregational Church at West Vigo. The church building was dedicated May 1, 1853. Mr. Goodman was married three times. His first two wives died young. In 1850 he married Miss Elizabeth Jordan, who survives him. He was ordained May 12, 1873, and was a typical farmer-minister, serving the stations and churches in the vicinity of his home. In 1849–53 he served his county in the State Legislature, and was honored with various other positions of public trust. He was a self-made man of excellent ability. He was faithful to all the duties of a Christian life, a pillar in the church and man of weight and influence in civil affairs.

RECEIPTS AND APPORTIONMENT.

The receipts of the Congregational Home Missionary Society from Indiana for the year ending March 31, 1895, were $1,089.41, less by some $60 than the preceding year. The apportionment made for our work was $2,500 less than the preceding year. The committee had a difficult task to adjust the amount of funds at command to the needy fields. Several churches were of necessity left to struggle alone with the problem of self-support.

STATISTICS.

Twenty-eight missionaries, supplying thirty-three churches and four out-stations with the Gospel, have faithfully performed a total of about nineteen years of labor. One German and one Scandinavian missionary have been sustained within our State for the full year by the foreign department of the Home Society. Thirty-five Sunday-schools report a membership of 3,560.

OLD WORK CARED FOR.

Because of the limited treasury, the committee have deemed it wise to distribute the entire apportionment among needy fields already opened, and so support, as well as possible, the ministers already at work, rather than open new fields which would occasion additional expense. No churches were organized during the year directly by our missionaries. Two churches, Hebron and Hammond Plymouth, were formally disbanded, and the properties voted to the Denominational Societies. The Hammond Church made the proviso that the avails should be used for the development of the First church of that place.

Shipshewana, an out-station of the Ontario field, Rev. J. R. Preston, pastor, formerly aided by this Society, was organized as a Congregational Church by Council, March 20, 1895, with twenty-seven members. The thriving town is located in a section originally settled by emigrating German Christians familiarly known as Dunkards, Ommish, and Mennonites. They have retained their primitive habits with religious and rural tenacity. Prospering in the land, esteemed for their integrity, their young people have sometimes departed from traditional strictness, and because of the severity and depression of the unrelaxing customs of their fathers, have wandered far away into the land of negligence and indifference. It was thought necessary for the members of the Council to inform the people about the way that Congregationalists looked upon the command of Christ in connection with the feet-washing incident. Rev. F. E. Knopf spoke at some length, and explained the duty of Christians serving one another in humble capacities. The spirit of the Master's command was thus emphasized. The Council was told that objections had been raised to the new church on the ground that Congregational ladies wore hats and the men mustaches. Those uniting in membership seemed joyous over the prospect of improved opportunities for the careful study of God's Word, and were eager for its knowledge and interpretation. It is strangely true that these foreign brethren have in rural districts often substituted tradition regarding church customs and manners for an intelligent study of the Bible.

Beginnings have also been made to extend the Gospel to the Welsh people at Elwood. The McKinley bill caused the tin-plate industry to spring up in America. Elwood was one of the selected points, and a colony of several hundred workmen, with their families from Wales, increased from time to time, has gradually gathered about the tin-plate works in the suburbs of that flourishing city. Located at a distance from churches, strangers in the land,

and with a sentimental affection for their national language and fellowship—this people have for years been without means of grace. Welsh religious traditions are largely Congregational, and Rev. Richard Powell, of Newark, Ohio, at the request of the Superintendent, has recently begun labor with them. A provisional organization of twenty-five members was formed April 7th after several visits. The hall over a saloon in which the first meetings were held is now denied them, and open-air meetings are held, at which people attend who have not in years heard the Gospel preached. A lot has been secured, and it is the purpose to erect at once a temporary chapel, seating 230 persons. The minister's subscription has been made at the rate of $400 a year, and Mr. Powell and his family will soon remove to their midst.

"*Missionaries of the Society now preach the Gospel in four different languages in this State,*" which is considered to be least affected of any Western State by recent foreign immigration. But even stable Indiana is receiving the impulse of the great movement, and our exposed points are full of danger. The old and stronger communions seem unaware of the situation and are apathetic and negligent in this phase of missionary work.

SELF-SUPPORT.

The number of churches that have reached the goal of self-support is gradually increasing. Whiting, organized in 1890, cut the bonds that bound her to the Society's aid, February 1, 1895. This promising church has made an excellent record, which may be useful as an illustration of how to achieve similar Gospel triumphs. In 1893, the church was worshiping in a hired hall, with Rev. Lewis A. Townsend as missionary pastor. At the close of his year of service, the church desired him to continue with them. He consented upon these conditions. (1) A contract for two years' continuance of the pastorate. (2) A contract to erect a suitable house of worship within the first year. (3) A contract to become self-supporting at the beginning of the third year. He thus agreed to remain with the church through whatsoever struggle self-support might cost the church, and share it with them. This gave the church courage to rise and build, and unitedly pastor and people rejoice in the blessed outcome of a fine church-home and self-support.

Michigan City—First Church one of the oldest in the State, with a troubled early history consequent upon the "plan of union," has successfully passed through a crisis in its history during the past year. The peculiar features of the city which make it an important lumber depot and an adjunct in many things to its larger

sister Chicago, has caused a draining away of the English families and the incoming of a large foreign population, until the city of 12,000 has become three-fourths foreign. The loss of so many families and the new conditions of population made it necessary for the old church to vary its methods and adapt its life and resources to the changing society. Congregational Churches, therefore, have recently been formed, one for the Germans and one for the Swedes, and the old church, under the leadership of its pastor, Rev. W. C. Gordon, has entered into hearty fellowship in life and work with them. Rev. Carl Freitag, the German pastor, studied English with Mr. Gordon. Mr. Gordon, in turn, made Mr. Freitag his German teacher. At the dedication of the German Emmanuel Church, the English, German and Swedish congregations combined. Rev. Mr. Gordon preached his first sermon in German; Rev. Mr. Freitag, preached his first sermon in English, and the Swedish pastor, Mr. Lundberg, preached. The good work goes on with increasing fellowship. The old First Church, aided for a single year by the Society during this transformation, now assumes self-support with increased zeal and much enrichment of its religious life and usefulness.

WORK IN THE MINING REGIONS.

The Coal Mine Mission, under the lead of the devoted missionary, Rev. James Hayes, met with serious interruption from the prevalence of strikes. It required unusual sacrifice and endurance on the part of the missionary to lead his various enterprises safely through the troublous times. The effect of the previous work of the Coal Mine Mission was evident from the beginning in the superior orderliness of the districts within its influence. The outrages upon law, order and decency, were in those mining villages where the work of the Mission had not been as yet extended. Much has been done in the line of temperance work during the year, and special services have resulted in additions to the various churches. One young miner has, with the approval of his brethren, left to study for the ministry. Unfortunately, the church at Coal Bluff, the center of the Mission, with the reading-room adjoining, was burned to the ground early on the morning of Sunday, April 14, 1895. The parsonage and contents were saved from the flames by the active efforts of the towns-people. The organ and a little furniture was saved. There was an insurance of $1,150 paid. The church has rallied, and decided to rebuild at once upon a more modern plan.

The self-sacrificing labors of Rev. Rockliffe Mackintosh, pastor at Washington and Cannelburgh, have resulted in the rescue of the

Washington building enterprise from its slough of despond. The new year witnessed the entire removal of the debt except the loan from the C. C. B. S. The spiritual life of the church has been deepened. Cannelburgh, which is exclusively a mining town, was one of the centers of the strike—six hundred of the State militia were stationed there for some time. The beginnings of the work were scattered by the discharge of miners by the coal operators. The Sunday-school has been started again, and it is hoped that, with the settlement of the labor trouble, the work may go forward in the redemption of souls and the building up of the church.

The work at Hosmer, in the more southern portion of the mining field, has prospered under the care of Rev. Thomas Smith. A tower and reading-room have been added to the church, and the parsonage has been improved. The surrounding country people are now coming to this church in considerable numbers, and the farming and mining elements are uniting in its fast increasing membership. The large proportionate gifts which distinguish this church for missions are brought about by a carefully planned system of personal and family self-denial. Sacrifice envelopes are distributed; the pastor preaches on the subject of "*Missions and Christian Consecration*," and the members cheerfully deny themselves so as to bring an offering to the Lord on the following Sabbath—an offering which has been saved by the denial of self in some form. These gifts have enclosed in the same envelope some appropriate text of Scripture. These texts are read as the envelopes are opened in the presence of the congregation. This church, composed almost entirely of very poor families, the heads of which during the past year had for a long time only two days' work a week at the mines, with corresponding pay, made a self-denial offering, in March, of $20 for home missions alone. The superintendent has attended several of these local missionary anniversaries with this church and its pastor, and he can speak of the gladness and cheer, the evident joyousness prevalent in the hearts of all, and of the singular harmony and love-feast quality which characterizes all the meetings.

THE WORK IN GENERAL.

The year has been marked by an increasing permanence in the ministry, less changes being noticeable than in former years. The blessing of the Master has been peculiarly apparent upon fields where the missionary pastorate has extended over several years.

During the last five years, the State of Indiana has made rapid progress in all the features of modern civilization. The growth has been especially marked in the cities and in the large area em-

bracing thirty counties in the central and eastern section of the State where natural gas is obtained in large quantities. The churches planted previous to the new era have vigorously enlarged their work to meet new demands, and many churches have been planted in newly formed communities. In this work, all the leading denominations shared. The Congregationalists, from peculiar and well-known historical reasons, have been late in the field, and churches of our order are not numerous. There are several important churches that represent the structural side of our denominational work. They are located in large centers of business enterprise and population, and are gradually developing strength, and extended Congregational fellowship in adjacent regions.

REVIVALS.

It is gratifying to know of the blessing of God which has attended the life of the churches during the last year. Sweeping revivals have visited them, and they are rejoicing in the renewed manifestation of the grace and power of Christ, as seen in the salvation of souls and the reformation of many families. The churches, aided by the society, have largely shared in these revival blessings. It has been a year remarkable for the out-pouring of the Holy Spirit upon a majority of the churches. The ingatherings by confession exceed those of any previous year, and the work still goes on! It would be invidious to mention particular instances where nearly all have shared in the revival blessing. The fruits of this spiritual activity are manifested on every hand in all the departments of church life, and cheer, encouragement and joy are manifest in the communications received from the missionaries and brethren in the churches. Several of the pastors have rendered valuable service in assisting their brethren in evangelistic work.

EVENTS.

It is interesting to note the sixtieth anniversary of the First Church at Terre Haute, Rev. J. H. Crum, D. D., pastor, which was observed January 1, 1895, with appropriate addresses relating to its history and field. This church is one of the largest supporters of Home Missionary work in the State.

In April, 1895, Dr. N. A. Hyde published, by vote of the Indianapolis Congregational Club, his historical essay, "Congregationalism in Indiana," in a pamphlet of seventy pages.

August 16, 1895, the corner-stone was laid of the new Congregational Church at Anderson.

February 24, 1895, occurred the dedication of the new brick church

at Whiting. The sermon was preached by Rev. F. W. Gunsaulus, D. D., of Chicago.

Fort Recovery Church has purchased for a parsonage the residence adjoining the church, paying therefor $1,100.

PASTORAL CHANGES.

Henry Janes was ordained to the Gospel ministry by Council, May 17, 1894, at Andrews.

William A. Walker was ordained pastor October 15, 1895, at Amboy.

Rockliffe Mackintosh, the missionary of Washington, Ind., was ordained by Council to the Gospel ministry, at Brightwood, January 23, 1895.

Ministers connected with our Indiana churches have closed their pastorates during the year as follows:

Self-Supporting Churches.—Rev. Henry O. Spellman has left Angola for Red Cloud, Neb.; Rev. W. A. Thomas has passed from Kokomo to Dunkirk; Rev. C. M. Arthur has resigned at Bremen; Rev. David Wallace has ceased his work at Hobart.

Aided Churches.—Rev. Alexander McGregor has left Dunkirk for Lowry Hill Church, Minneapolis; Rev. David Q. Travis has resigned at Terre Haute and gone to Pocatello, Idaho; Rev. Jasper Trueblood no longer serves the Harrison county churches; Rev. Joseph Kerr has gone from the South Church, Fort Wayne, to Michigan; Rev. Carl E. Englund, pastor of the Swedish Church, Michigan City, met his death by drowning while in bathing with seminary associates, August 9, 1894.

Total departures, nine.

The following ministers have assumed pastorates during the year:

Self-supporting Churches.—Rev. J. T. Robert, from Iowa, has become pastor of the church at Angola; Rev. W. N. Mebane has become stated supply of the Hobart and Ross field; Rev. Ralph J. Smith came from the church of Newport, Ky., to Kokomo; Rev. A. E. Pierce has become pastor at Liber.

Aided Churches.—Rev. Albert Lundberg assumed charge of the Swedish Church, Michigan City; Rev. W. A. Thomas became pastor at Dunkirk; Rev. John M. Sutherland came from Michigan to the First Church, Hammond; Rev. James E. Butler, of Wheatland, Mich., assumed charge at Fairmount; Rev. W. F. Harding came from the M. E. Church, Michigan, to the Second Church, Terre Haute; Rev. F. A. Slyfield came from New York to become

pastor at Brightwood; Rev. Richard Powell, of Newark, Ohio, has recently come to the Welsh Church, Elwood.

Total additions to ministeral force, 11.

CLOSING WORD.

It is fortunate that the cessation of aggressive work consequent upon the lessened treasury has had so little tendency to dampen the ardor or lessen the enthusiam of the work in the fields already opened. We have few roots running back into the reserved wealth or latent resources of our State. What impulse we get is largely from the overflow of Congregationalism into our borders, sustained by the gifts of Congregational money from the home society. Our own enthusiam is enkindled by successful new movements from time to time which give us the hope of a useful and prosperous future as a denomination. Our inherent resources are constantly increasing, and we have more power of self-nutrition and self-reinforcement than ever before. The many forward movements in the churches indicate the work of successful pastors and faithful people.

There seems to be a more hopeful financial outlook. The past two years found many of the churches running behindhand on their current expenses, and struggling with debts which they were paying with great difficulty. Several, also, have been repaying loans from the C. C. B. S. The panic and the later strikes caused a special difficulty in several of the fields, and made the last year or two trying and perilous to the churches. The complaining note seems now to be changing to one of greater hopefulness and cheer. Good people have taken account of their losses, and buried them, if necessary, and are now entering upon a more hopeful and courageous period. The spiritual blessing which has been received is of itself sufficient to account for this. There is greatly increased interest in missionary work—both at home and abroad—and times seem favorable for losses to be repaired, weak places strengthened and new conquests gained for the Master.

Respectfully submitted,

NATHANIEL A. HYDE,
JOHN H. CRUM,
FRANK E. KNOPF,
JAMES S. AINSLIE,
WILLIAM F. BRUNNER,
WILLIAM A. THOMAS,
EDWARD D. CURTIS,
Executive Committee.

MARION, IND., May 16, 1895.

OUR GIFTS FOR HOME MISSIONS

For the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 1895.

Abbreviations—The figures immediately following the name of the church denote church collections; W. H. M. U., gifts of Women's Societies; S. S., Sunday-school contributions; Y. P. S. C. E., Young People's Societies; P., Personal gifts.

Amboy, 2.85; W. H. M. U., 1	$3 85
Anderson, W. H. M. U	10 00
Andrews	8 00
Angola, W. H. M. U., 14.40; Y. P. S. C. E., 6.30	20 70
Bremen	15 23
Beachwood	1 75
Brightwood, 2.20; W. H. M. U., 2.	4 20
Cardonia, W. H. M. U., 8.25; S. S., 2	10 25
Caseyville	1 00
Cedarwood, Central	3 00
Coal Bluff, 3; W. H. M. U., 6.75; S. S., 5.40	15 15
Dunkirk, 12; W. H. M. U., 2	14 00
East Chicago, S. S	2 81
Elkhart, 23.75; W. H. M. U., 62.14.	85 89
Fairmount	6 50
Fort Wayne, Plymouth, 20; W. H. M. U., 15	35 00
Fort Wayne, South	8 00
Fremont and Jamestown. 6.25; W. H. M. U., 6.84; S. S., 1.91	15 00
Hammond, First, 13; W. H. M. U., 3.50; S. S., 2	18 50
Hobart	00
Hosmer, Glezen, 10; W. H. M. U., 10	20 00
Indianapolis, Plymouth, W. H. M. U., 64.98; S. S., 5.13; King's Dau., 15	85 11
Indianapolis, Mayflower, 28.65; W. H. M. U., 58.50; Y. P. S. C. E., 8.55	95 70
Indianapolis, People's, 51; W. H. M. U., 7	58 00
Indianapolis, Pilgrim, 6.95; W. H. M. U., 4.25; S. S., 1.55	12 75
Indianapolis, Fellowship, 15; W. H. M. U., 8.50	$23 50
Kokomo, 5; W. H. M. U., 38.25	43 25
Lake Gage	00
Liber, 3.70; W. H. M. U., 3	6 70
Marion	5 15
Macksville	5 00
Mauckport, W. H. M. U	80
Michigan City, First, W. H. M. U	25 60
Michigan City, Em., *Ger*	5 00
Michigan City, San. Mem., *Scn*	00
Ontario	00
Orland, 50.50; W. H. M. U., 10; Y. P. S. C. E., 6.50	67 00
Perth	1 00
Porter and Lake Station	5 15
Portland	00
Ridgeville	5 00
Ross	00
Solsberry	00
Terre Haute, First, 108; W. H. M. U., 95	208 00
Terre Haute, Second	12 00
Vigo, South	00
Washington and Cannelburg, 6.01; S. S., 86c	6 87
Westchester	5 00
Whiting, W. H. M. U	10 00
Fort Recovery, O	5 00
INDIVIDUALS.	
Mrs. C. S. Andrews, Brazil	5 00
Mrs. W. H. Ross, Terre Haute	85 00
Dea. J. J. Wright, Bremen	5 00
Two friends of Home Missions	20 00
Total	$1,089 41

WOMAN'S BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS OF THE INTERIOR.

The Indiana Branch of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions of the Interior held its twentieth annual meeting in the Congregational Church, Marion, May 14, 1895, Mrs. W. F. Brunner in the chair.

On the previous evening a large public meeting was held, the exercises consisting of an address of welcome by Mrs. G. A. Southall, of Marion; a response by Mrs. Brunner, President, of Indianapolis; and addresses by Mr. G. B. Willcox, of Chicago and Mrs. Bertha D. Stover, missionary at Bailundu, Africa.

The session Tuesday morning was opened with devotional exercises, led by the President. Reports of the Vice-Presidents and auxiliaries occupied the remainder of the morning.

The first hour in the afternoon was set apart to devotional exercises, led by Mrs. W. A. Mossman, of Fort Wayne. This was followed by reports of the Secretary and Treasurer, and an address by Mrs. W. A. Ball.

Mrs. Stover then gave an account of missionary work on her field of labor. She also addressed a meeting of children.

Mrs. A. P. Johnson, of Marion, addressed the young ladies.

Mrs. G. B. Willcox, Secretary of the Board of the Interior, presented the pressing needs of the Board.

The officers for the ensuing year are as follows:

President, Mrs. E. E. Stacy, Indianapolis.

Vice-Presidents, Mrs. N. A. Hyde, Indianapolis; Mrs. E. M. Elder, Terre Haute.

Secretary, Miss E. B. Warren, Terre Haute.

Treasurer, Miss Mary E. Perry, Indianapolis.

Secretary Young People's Work, Miss S. J. Cummings, Indianapolis.

Secretary Children's Work, Mrs. C. O. Howe, Longwood, Ill.

Vice-President Northeast Association, Mrs. J. T. Roberts, Angola.

Vice-President Northwest Association, Mrs. Howard Smith, Elkhart.

Vice-President Central Association, Mrs. E. R. Wilson, Kokomo.

Vice-President Southern Association, Mrs. Thomas Smith, Hosmer.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION.

Through the courtesy of the Indiana Branch of the Woman's Board of Missions of the Interior, the Woman's Home Missionary Union of Indiana shared the morning of Tuesday, May 14, 1895, with that organization.

It was the seventh annual session, held in the Marion Congregational Church, Mrs. W. A. Bell, President.

The session was opened with singing and prayer by Rev. James Hayes.

Mrs. W. E. Mossman, Secretary, read the minutes of the last meeting. In the absence of the Treasurer, Mrs. Bell read the financial report of the year.

Reports from the churches followed, some word coming from about half of the churches in the State.

The President called upon the following named ladies to say something concerning the different channels through which the Congregational Churches extend their benevolence:

Mrs. Mossman, spoke for the Sunday-school and Publishing Society; Mrs. A. H. Ball, for the Church Building Society; Rev. Jas. Hayes, for the Home Missionary Society; Miss Warren, for the American Board; Mrs. Bell, for the American Missionary Association.

Mr. Hayes gave an account of the great loss which had recently come to the church at Coal Bluff, by fire.

The following report of Committee on Nomination of Officers was adopted:

President, Mrs. W. R. Bell, Indianapolis.
Vice-President, Mrs. L. J. Weinstein, Terre Haute.
Secretary, Mrs. E. S. Smith, Indianapolis.
Treasurer, Mrs. A. H. Ball, Anderson.
Vice-President Northeastern Association, Mrs. W. E. Mossman, Fort Wayne.
Vice-President Northwestern Association, Mrs. D. F. Cox, Elkhart.
Vice-President Central Association, Mrs. R. E. Defrees, Indianapolis.
Vice-President Southern Association, Mrs. R. Mackintosh.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

N. A. HYDE, Treasurer, in account with the General Association of Indiana.

Dr.

1894, May.		Balance in treasury.....	$20 06	
1895, Jan.	7.	J. R. Preston, Registrar N. E. Asso ..	16 24	
"	30.	J. W. Wilson, Registrar, Cent. Asso..	24 48	
Feb.	21.	" " "	20 32	
Mar.	27.	" " "	4 50	
Apr.	8.	F. E. Knopf, Registrar N. W. Asso...	19 16	
May	9.	J. W. Wilson, Registrar Cent. Asso..	10 17	
				$114 93

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1894, June	22.	Mailing minutes	$1 66	
1895, Jan.	8.	Printing minutes ('94)	60 00	
Apr.	19.	Treasurer National Council.....	47 83	
May.		Collecting Sunday-school statistics..	1 00	
				110 49
		Balance in treasury.....		$4 44

DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

I. NORTHEAST ASSOCIATION.

Rev. Jared R. Preston, Ontario, Registrar.

Andrews,
Angola,
Fort Wayne, Plymouth,
Fort Wayne, South,
Fremont,
Jamestown,
Lake Gage,
Ontario,
Orland.

II. NORTHWEST ASSOCIATION.

Rev. Frank E. Knopf, Elkhart, Registrar.

Bremen,
East Chicago,
Elkhart,
Hammond, First,
Hobart,
Michigan City, First.
Michigan City, Emman., Ger.,
Michigan City, Scandinav.,
Porter,
Whiting,
Ross.

III. CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Rev. John W. Wilson, Indianapolis, Registrar.

Amboy,
Anderson,
Brightwood,
Cardonia,
Caseyville,
Coal Bluff,
Dunkirk,
Fairmount,
Fort Recovery, Ohio,
Indianapolis, Plymouth,
Indianapolis, Mayflower,
Indianapolis, People's,
Indianapolis, Pilgrim,
Indianapolis, Fellowship,
Kokomo,
Liber,
Macksville,
Marion,
Perth,
Portland,
Ridgeville,
Solsberry,
Terre Haute, First,
Terre Haute, Second,
Vigo, South,
Westchester.

IV. SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION.

Rev. Rockliffe Mackintosh, Washington, Registrar.

Beechwood, New Amsterdam P. O.
Cannelburgh,
Cedarwood,
Central,
Hosmer, Glezen P. O.
Washington.

STATISTICS OF CHURCHES FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1894.

CHURCHES.	Organized.	CLERKS.	MINISTERS.	Ordained.	Began Present Services.	MEMBERS.				ADMITTED.			REMOVALS.				BAPTISMS.		Families.
						Male.	Female.	Total.	Absent.	Confession.	Letter.	Total.	Death.	Letter.	Discipline.	Total.	Adults.	Infants.	
Amboy	1890	Angus J. Elleman	William A. Walker, *p.*	1894	1893	19	39	58	15	16	1	17	2	1	1	4	5	0	30
Anderson	1891	Albert Russell	Albert H. Ball, *p.*	1870	1893	13	31	44	6	1	7	8	0	1	0	1	1	1	18
Andrews	1883	Mrs. F. Wells	Henry Janes, *p.*	1894	1893	8	23	31	7	14	0	14	0	3	0	3	5	8	30
Angola	1869	Dea. Ora Smith	Joseph T. Robert, *p.*	1879	1894	11	57	68	8	0	3	3	0	6	0	6	0	0	80
Beachwood, *a*	1884	D. W. Youstler	Jasper Trueblood, *p.*	1878	1892	12	12	24	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	12
Bremen	1874	Nathaniel A. Herring				16	42	58	2	7	5	12	0	0	0	0	0	4	54
Cannelburgh	1891		Rockliffe Mackintosh, *p.*	1894	1893	3	2	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	6
Cardonia	1879	Thomas Teal	James Hayes, *p.*	1879	1888	11	34	45	0	19	0	19	0	0	0	0	10	6	125
Caseyville	1893	James A. Bradley	James Hayes, *p.*	1879	1893	3	18	21	0	7	0	7	0	2	0	2	5	2	100
Cedarwood	1881	Edward Hass	Jasper Trueblood, *p.*	1878	1892	27	40	67	0	23	1	24	2	0	0	2	3	0	30
Central	1881	Stephen D. Tindall	Jasper Trueblood, *p.*	1878	1892	23	21	44	6	1	0	1	2	0	5	7	1	0	35
Coal Bluff	1888	James Hayes	James Hayes, *p.*	1879	1888	7	22	29	0	3	0	3	0	2	13	15	0	5	100
Dunkirk	1891	Mrs. G. W. Fertich	Wm. Arthur Thomas, *p.*	1882	1894	13	30	43	3	19	21	40	0	4	0	4	2	0	45
East Chicago	1889	Thomas J. Rowley	[Frank E. Bigelow, *Lic.*]		1893	12	21	33	6	6	4	10	1	7	1	9	3	1	50
Elkhart	1869	Mrs. D. F. Coe	Frank E. Knopf, *p.*	1889	1889	33	103	136	13	5	4	9	0	2	0	2	5	3	75
Fairmount	1888	J. A. Miles	James E. Butler, *p.*	1890	1895	16	45	61	4	11	0	11	2	4	2	8	0	0	75
Fort Recovery, O	1854	Ralph McClung	Ed L. Brooks, *p.*	1892	1892	19	42	61	5	12	1	13	0	0	0	0	7	1	20
Fort Wayne, Plyth.	1870	A. B. Howey	James S. Ainslie, *p.*	1882	1890	80	141	221	13	47	14	61	3	20	3	26	17	10	215
" " South	1894	R. A. Crosby				14	31	45	2	16	5	21	0	0	0	0	1	3	50
Fremont	1874	Mrs. L. E. McNabb	[Claude E. Grove, *Lic.*]		1894	17	50	67	13	15	10	25	1	1	0	2	3	0	50
Hammond	1887	Mrs. E. W. Murray	John M. Southerland, *p.*	1887	1894	11	13	24	8	0	1	1	1	2	5	8			30
Hobart	1885	Wm. Lory	[Wm. N. Mebane, *Pres.*]	1889	1894	23	37	60	10	25	2	27	0	6	0	6	0	1	40
Hosmer, *b*	1887	John T. Smith	Thomas Smith, *p.*	1891	1891	35	65	100	0	44	0	44	1	1	10	12	16	1	40
Indianapolis, Plyth.	1857	Miss M. F. Allgire	Frederic E. Dewhurst, *p.*	1882	1892	122	252	374	64	8	11	19	1	11	0	12	0	6	250
" Mayflower	1869	Dr. W. S. Rawls	Nathaniel A. Hyde, *p. em.* John W. Wilson, *p. c.*	1888 1891	1872 1891	62	123	185	23	17	6	23	2	10	0	12	7	4	150
" Br'tw'd, *c*	1889	Miss E. Meadows	Frederic A. Slyfield, *p.*	1881	1894	21	36	57	5	10	7	17	1	16	1	18	4	8	50
" People's	1890	Miss A. M. Cooper	James M. Lewis, *p. c.*	1887	1893	65	112	177	17	23	17	40	2	8	0	10	6	1	175
" Pilgrim	1890	Miss L. Calif	Samuel W. Pollard, *p.*	1885	1894	22	43	65	0	13	17	30	1	3	0	4	2	12	150

Indianapolis, Fel...	1891	Lyman Graham.....	Edwin S. Smith, *p*.....	1886	1892	34	64	98	5	18	2	20	0	5	0	5	10	5	200
Jamestown, *d*.....	1872	Miss Helen Gray.....	[Claude E. Grove, *Lic.*]....	....	1894	5	15	20	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	12
Kokomo.....	1863	Wm. C. McCune.....	Ralph J. Smith.....	1884	1895	66	132	198	41	1	1	2	2	3	0	5	1	0	120
Lake Gage.....	1889	Frank Brown.....	John R. Bonney, *p*.....	1863	1892	13	14	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
Liber, *e*.....	1854	Wm. F. Antram.....	[Albert E. Pierce, *Meth.*]...	...	1894	15	17	32	0	0	2	2	0	2	0	2	0	0	30
Macksville.....	1885	Miss Mary Curtis.....	John Harden, *p*.....	1879	1894	24	57	81	10	6	0	6	1	1	3	5	0	0	40
Marion.....	1889	Mrs. G. A. Southall..	Levi White, *p*.....	1871	1894	24	52	76	0	6	3	9	0	1	0	1	3	0	100
Michigan City, First.	1835	W. R. Corbin.....	William C. Gordon, *p*.....	1889	1893	41	132	173	18	10	12	22	1	1	0	2	2	4	110
" Emmanuel, *Ger.*	1891	B. Schindelhauer.....	Karl Freitag, *p*.....	1891	1893	18	27	45	2	10	0	10	0	0	4	4	0	12	50
" Sanb'n Mem. *Sca.*	1893	John Erickson	[Albert Lundberg, *Lic.*]....	....	1894	13	18	31	1	8	0	8	1	1	0	2	0	2	14
Ontario.....	1840	Jared R. Preston.....	Jared R. Preston, *p*.....	1865	1889	15	26	41	9	2	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	20
Orland.....	1836	Mrs. J. Van Etta.....	John R. Bonney, *p*.....	1863	1892	17	49	66	7	7	2	9	1	3	0	4	5	1	40
Perth.....	1889	Miss T. Haggerty.....	James Hayes, *p*.....	1879	1889	4	6	10	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	100
Porter.....	1891	Mrs. H. Busse.....	Richard Smith, *p*.....	1892	1894	8	10	18	1	6	4	10	0	0	2	2	1	1	80
Portland.....	1887	Rev. H. E. Moon.....	.....	....	....	7	15	22	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15
Ridgeville.....	1892	Wm. B. Starr.....	George Hindley, *p*.....	1875	1893	22	26	48	6	3	3	6	0	5	1	6	3	0	30
Ross.....	1888	Mrs. K. A. Gallagher.	[Wm. N. Mebane, *Presb.*]...	1889	1894	6	9	15	2	5	0	5	0	2	0	2	.....	.....	34
Solsberry.....	1868	P. F. Barnes	.....	....	....	11	29	40	9	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	0	25
Terre Haute, First..	1834	J. A. Foote	John H. Crum, *p*.....	1862	1889	117	293	410	52	38	5	43	5	11	2	18	20	2	200
" " Sec'nd	1891	Wm. W. Rigney.....	Wm. F. Harding.....	...	1895	11	30	41	8	14	8	22	2	0	0	2	11	1	50
South Vigo, *f*.....	1854	Robert Smith.....	John Harden, *p*.....	1879	1894	9	19	28	4	0	0	0	0	2	3	5	0	0	25
Washington.....	1890	Chas. Brumblay.....	Rockliffe Mackintosh, *p*....	1894	1893	10	15	25	3	6	5	11	0	2	9	11	0	0	50
Westchester.....	1861	Miss L. Montgomery..	Hiram E. Moon, *p*.....	1891	1894	12	5	17	0	0	7	7	1	0	0	1	0	0	6
Whiting.....	1890	Victor P. France.....	Lewis A. Townsend, *p*.....	1894	1893	18	24	42	2	11	6	17	0	2	3	5	2	6	100
			Totals.....	....	....	1288	2569	3797	412	520	197	717	39	154	69	262	161	111	3506

CHURCHES: *Added*—Fort Wayne, South. *Omitted*—Camden, Hammond (Plymouth), Hebron. Brightwood is transferred to Indianapolis. Gain of members, 331; loss in Sunday-schools, 391; in benevolent contributions, $821; increase in home expenditures, $14,392. ORGANIZATION: Four District Associations are united in THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES AND MINISTERS OF INDIANA. Churches organized since January 1, 1895—Shipshewana, 27 members; Elwood (*Welsh*), 25 members.

a. New Amsterdam P. O.
b. Glezen P. O.
c. Brightwood P. O.
d. Crooked Creek P. O.
e. Portland P. O.
f. Terre Haute.

STATISTICS OF CHURCHES FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1894.

CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOLS.						Y. P. S. C. E.	BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.										
	SUPERINTENDENTS.	Members.	Average Attendance.	Ad. to Ch.	Benevolent Contributions.			Foreign Missions.	Education.	Church Building.	Home Missions.	Am. Miss. Ass'n.	Sunday-Schools.	Ministerial Aid.	Other.	Total.	Legacies.	Home Expenditures.
Amboy	Marion Oden	75	60	1	$2	0		$0	$0	$3	$2	$0	$2	$0	$6	$13	$0	$150
Anderson	A. M. Oswald	70	54	0	4	33		6	0	0	35	0	0	0	10	51	0	2,000
Andrews	John Fry	40	30	3	0	15		6	0	3	8	0	0	0	0	17	0	500
Angola	Wm. J. Kinney	6	50	0	30	60		60	0	5	20	0	15	0	30	130	0	1,150
Beachwood	Ed. Funkhauser	30	20	3	0	0		0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	170
Bremen		75	70	2	0	21		2	0	5	15	0	1	0	0	23	0	579
Cannelburgh	H. Davis	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
Cardonia	Wm. Galt	176	90	10	5	52		2	0	0	8	0	1	0	0	11	0	200
Caseyville	Jas. A. Bradley	85	50	5	3	10		8	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	5	0	25
Cedarwood		50	40	0	0	0		0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	75
Central		60	40	0	0	0		0	0	3	2	0	0	0	0	5	0	250
Coal Bluff	Robert Finn	164	70	2	11	40		2	0	64	11	0	2	0	0	79	0	200
Dunkirk	Edwin R. Sloan	75	58	10	0	28		0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	4	0	900
East Chicago	William Jewel	76	55	0	0	17		7	2	3	11	2	4	0	0	29	0	615
Elkhart	E. C. Bickel	130	95	5	12	35		54	10	0	63	13	5	0	40	185	0	1,566
Fairmount	A. D. Bryan	75	52	0	0	25		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	478
Fort Recovery	George W. Kreming	91	65	12	8	25		6	5	7	5	0	5	0	0	28	0	500
Fort Wayne	Paul Mossman	205	112	16	10	52		43	12	212	20	0	10	0	10	307	0	12,317
Fort Wayne, South	William Foulk	150	105	2	0	20		5	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	6	0	900
Fremont	Edgar Ackerman	60	40	5	0	27		3	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	12	0	300
Hammond	I. P. Johnson	100	75	0	0			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	425
Hobart	William Lory	110	70	22	10	80		15	0	0	15	0	5	0	20	55	0	650
Hosmer	John W. Clifford	100	75	25	0	68		15	0	2	15	0	0	0	40	72	0	600
Indianapolis, Plymouth	Edgar Brown	200	110	3	0	30		19	0	13	140	0	0	0	61	233	0	7,275
" " Mayflower	Charles S. Grout	211	171	19	14	71		192	25	35	134	6	10	0	305	707	0	4,810
" " Brightwood	Rev. F. A. Slyfield	120	68	1	5	12		0	0	0	6	0	2	0	3	11	0	525
" " People's	D. P. McConnaughey	185	120	6	6	35		16	0	36	54	0	4	0	0	110	0	1,600
" " Pilgrim	Miss Lizzie Califf	120	60	1	1	0		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	150	151	0	737
" " Fellowship	Henry M. Butler	175	125	7	0	48		6	0	0	15	0	8	0	6	35	0	1,072
Jamestown	George Mallory	50	40	0	1	0		1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	50

Kokomo	W. L. Clause	150	0	1	0	65	65	0	20	38	0	0	0	10	133	0	1,950
Lake Gage	Frank Brown	35	25				0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
Liber	C. E. Milligan	110	70	0	6	88	11	0	0	1	0	6	0	0	18	0	170
Macksville	Mrs. Mary Mopps	125	60	0	1	15	12	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	17	0	321
Marion	Mrs. G. A. Southall	125	75	2	5	60	3	0	0	20	0	0	0	10	33	0	700
Michigan City, First	Albert Nichols	134	114	0	7	43	28	0	0	50	0	0	0	7	85	0	1,575
" " Emmanuel, *G.*	Rev. Karl Freitag	88	62	3			0	0	0	5	0	0	0	6	11	0	900
" " Sand'n M., *Sc.*	John Gronlund	25	20	3	0	14	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	205
Ontorio							0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	150
Orland	Frank Whitney	75	55	0	0	24	15	0	0	31	0	0	0	4	50	0	700
Perth	Miss Jeanette Davidson	80	40	0	3	0	1	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	4	0	80
Porter	George W. Babcock	85	51	3	3		4	2	0	5	0	3	0	1	15	0	166
Portland		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ridgeville	William B. Starr	55	39	3	2	20	0	90	0	15	0	1	0	0	106	0	450
Ross	Kate A Gallagher	50	35	3	5	20	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	122
Solsberry	J. W. Davis						0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Terre Haute, First	Prof. Wm. Noyes	396	175	0	29	105	229	25	10	692	15	5	5	192	1,173	0	4,824
" " Second	John L. Roberts	150	112	6	0	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	300
Vigo, South	F. N. Black	40	25	0	0	17	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	284
Washington	Rev. R. Mackintosh	120	70	2	2	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	6	0	250
Westchester	Wm. Ropp	75	50	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
Whiting	Victor P. France	130	92	6	100	40	10	0	0	8	2	2	0	15	37	0	3,685
	Total	5171	3240	186	283	1317	850	171	433	1473	38	98	5	926	3,990	0	66,961

FIFTH YEAR STATISTICS.

1895.

Churches.	Value House of Worship.	Built.	Value Parsonage.	Invested Funds.	Indebtedness.	Minister's Salary.
Amboy	$1,800	1892	$0	$0	$115	$250
Anderson	11,500	1894	0	0	3,000	1,500
Andrews	3,200	1889	0	0	400	400
Angola	9,000	1870	1,800	0	700	1,150
Beechwood	1,200	1884	0	0	0	†100
Bremen	1,800	1880	0	0	300	600
Cannelburgh	1,200	1891	0	0	0	†100
Cardonia	1,000	1881	0	0	0	†175
Caseyville	0		0	0	0	0
Cedarwood	0		0	0	0	†100
Central	1,000	1881	0	0	0	†125
Coal Bluff	1,800	1888	700	0	400	†250
Dunkirk	0		0	0	0	1,200
East Chicago	3,500	1891	0	0	475	550
Elkhart	4,000	1872	0	0	0	1,200
Fairmount	7,000	1888	0	0	2,200	900
Fort Recovery, O	3,000	1883	1,100	0	0	400
Fort Wayne, Plymouth	30,000	1894	0	0	12,000	2,000
Fort Wayne, South	3,000	1893	0	0	0	1,000
Fremont	1,500	1880	0	0	0	†400
Hammond	1,600	1890	0	0	0	750
Hobart	1,000	1885	0	0	0	†150
Hosmer	1,300	1888	550	0	350	400
Indianapolis, Plymouth	40,000	1884	0	0	27,000	2,500
" " Mayflower	15,000	1894	0	0	4,500	1,200
" " Brightwood	1,600	1890	0	0	0	850
" " People's	20,000	1890	0	0	1,580	1,200
" " Pilgrim	2,500	1890	0	0	400	1,000
" " Fellowship	3,500	1891	0	0	1,400	1,000
Jamestown	1,500	1872	0	0	295	†100
Kokomo	20,000		2,000	0	700	1,500
Lake Gage	850	1891	0	0	0	†50
Liber	800	1854	600	0	0	†350
Macksville	2,800	1885	700	0	100	†450
Marion	2,500	1889	0	0	300	800
Michigan City, First	15,000	1881	2,000	0	0	1,800
" " Emmanuel, *Ger.*	1,600	1894	0	0	0	600
" " Sanb'n M'l, *Scan.*	800	1892	0	0	0	250
Ontario	1,000	1850	0	0	0	†100
Orland	2,000	1854	800	4,200	0	†550
Perth	1,000	1891	0	0	40	†100
Porter	800	1892	0	0	0	500
Portland	0		0	0	0	0
Ridgeville	0		0	0	0	650
Ross	3,000	1878	300	0	0	†200
Solsberry	800	1868	0	0	0	0
Terre Haute, First	30,000	1857	0	500	0	2,500
Terre Haute, Second	5,000	1892	0	0	0	800
Vigo, South	400	1858	0	0	0	†155
Washington	1,800	1890	0	0	0	†375
Westchester	200	1850	0	0	0	†50
Whiting	7,800	1894	0	0	2,000	800
Total	$271,650		$10,550	$4,700	$58,205	$34,630

† Denotes the salary paid a pastor whose services are shared by another church.

MINISTERS

And Their Post-office Addresses.

Ainslie, James Stuart	Fort Wayne.
Ball, Albert H.	Anderson.
Bigelow, Frank E., *Lic*	East Chicago.
Bonney, John R.	Orland.
Brooks, Edward L.	Fort Recovery, Ohio.
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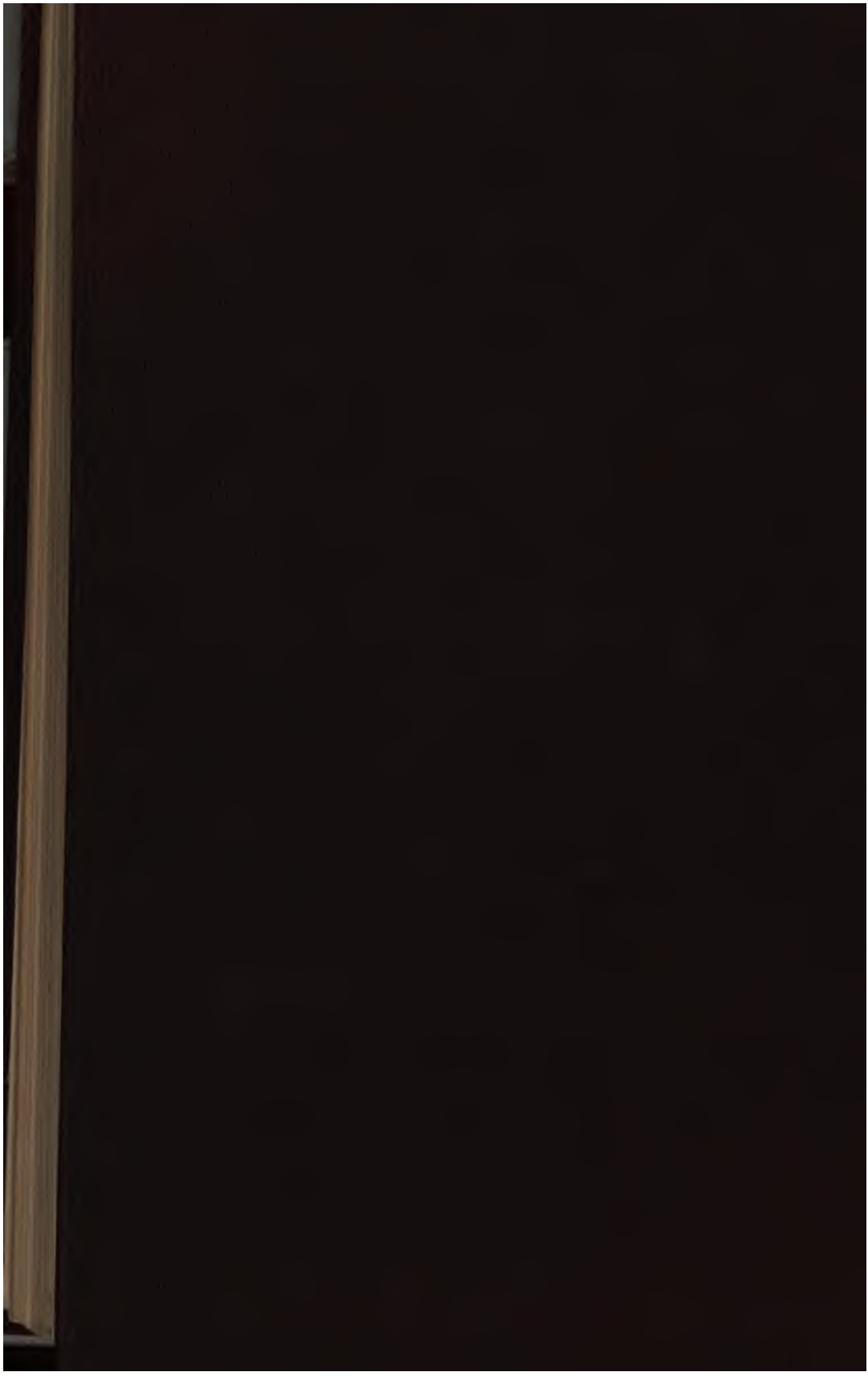
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